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The Editor's Page

The 1939 Navigation Season

THIS issue of DandW ushers in the opening of the shipping season on the New York State Barge Canal, Great Lakes, and Illinois River (Chicago to St. Louis), with the Upper Mississippi River to Minneapolis and St. Paul, and the Missouri to Kansas City services to follow shortly. The Ohio and Mississippi River services, of course, are available throughout the entire year.

Advance reports indicate a larger percentage of equipment on the Barge Canal and Lakes, of ore, grain, coal and package freight carriers, will be in operation at the beginning of the season than in 1938.

New business not heretofore carried by water lines is being booked well in advance for 1939. Many shippers are taking advantage of freight savings resulting from these services.

New transportation lines, with spick-and-span modern equipment right out of the shipyards, are ready for operation with long term contracts with the shippers, and more in the making.

Direct Great Lakes to Europe lines have increased in number and new vessels have been constructed during the Fall and Winter to handle their business which has multiplied each season.

Privately owned industrial fleets are growing in number, and fleets have been improved and enlarged.

The season starts with bright prospects and all indications of an extra heavy tonnage year, with a better feeling prevailing among owners, crews and labor generally, and the shipper getting a break in transportation costs.

Greetings to everyone connected with business on the greatest inland waterways in the World, serving the greatest industrial centers in the World, located in the best Country in the World—The United States of America. We wish a prosperous season to all hands.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a mileage chart of navigable inland waterways and another showing the distances between points on the Great Lakes. Our front cover illustration is reprinted by courtesy of the Chicago Regional Port Commission.

Labeling Revision

A GENERAL revision of labeling and some changes in packaging of foods, drugs and cosmetics will be required when the revised Wiley Act becomes effective June 25, but the opinion is that it will mean little to warehousemen.

The reason for this is found in the fact that distributors of commodities covered by the food-drug-cosmetic act as a rule use their own storage facilities and if large quantities of improperly labeled goods are on hand when the law goes into effect, the bulk will be found in private warehouses.

It is undoubtedly true that many operators will be asked to do some labeling, and some may be called upon for extensive service of stored goods, say merchandising experts. Officials of the Food and Drug Administration agree that this may be so; but they

have no interest in who performs the job of bringing packages into compliance so long as the job is done. Since the warehouseman is only a handler, he has no liability under the Act for goods delivered to him for storage, unless there can be read into the legal terminology a requirement that he furnish information as to the source of mislabeled goods when called upon to do so.

A good working knowledge of the law's requirements is essential to any warehousing company which intends to hold itself out as prepared to re-label or repack for clients. Should the revised label be illegal (and the Food and Drug Administration is not yet ready to pass on specimens in advance of their use), the storage operator might find himself charged as a principal in the violation.

The Federal Trade Commission is the enforcement agency in this particular. That Commission recently ruled that the "middleman" in the placement of newspaper copy—the advertising agent—is the guarantor of truth in advertisements handled. In other words, the agent must not accept as true all statements which the client desires incorporated in his paid copy. If the agency does so and misstatement is found, a violation arises out of the fact of dissemination. Following that analogy, it is not difficult to imagine a warehouseman held responsible for false labeling even though he performed only the mechanical task of pasting markers furnished him by his client.

Producers of foods, drugs and cosmetics have complained that insufficient time has been allowed them to revise and apply labels. Extension has been asked, but is not likely to be granted. The result may be some warehoused goods having labels, or packages which do not comply with the law. The best available opinion is that no liability attaches to holding, even delivering, such packages; provided, again, the storage space operator does not defy the government's order to disclose ownership.

Factories on the Move

NEVER in the U.S. history have there been as many relocations of industrial plants as in the last 5 yrs. In fact, the movement has just started, in the opinion of many industrial heads.

Changing of selling plans, higher transportation costs, new and closer supplies of raw material as well as the labor situation, will bring about drastic rebuilding of industries in states, cities and towns with favorable tax rates throughout the country.

Our "Factories on the Move" column is attracting nationwide attention of officials responsible for securing new industries to the extent that many are considering using DandW with its outstanding industrial and shipping class of readers to appeal for consideration.

On the other hand, there are others, particularly political subdivisions, such as port districts, that are literally "broke" insofar as advertising considerations are concerned. Just why such ports put millions of dollars into dredging and building of wharves, sheds, etc., and then sit down and wait for business to come

to them is more than can be figured out.

In many places in the South great strides have been made in securing various industries. The State of Pennsylvania likewise is making a national campaign to return within its borders many plants that have moved. Cleveland recently had a celebration on its securing over 100 new plants in 1938. Toledo recently gave a good will banquet to its traveling salesmen who were hired to talk up the desirability of that city for new factories or industries. Rochester, N. Y., now has its Chamber of Commerce working on plans for newcomers industrially to establish their plants there. New England is remodeling and cutting up into desirable smaller units, large factory space which no single concern can use in its entirety. In New York City with the expiration of many 10-yr. leases made in 1929, it is expected that manufacturers will be seeking less expensive centers for the operation of their business.

DandW offers its services through its personnel and its columns to further promote the interest of municipalities that are looking for new or relocated business.

Taxes

THE very moment a baby is born these days he, or she, owes \$432.65 as his or her, proportionate share of the debt already incurred by federal, state, and local governments. As a matter of fact, that is the debt which all of us individually now owe, as taxpayers. In 1929 the per capita debt was \$277.23. Of this amount about half, or \$139.32, was owed by the federal government, and the other half, or \$137.91 by state and local agencies. Since 1929, however, the per capita debt has risen to \$432.65, of which the federal portion is \$285.43, more than double, while the state and local agencies have increased their figure by less than \$10, or from \$137.91 to \$147.22.

In recent years as government revenues have increased, expenditures have gone up and the debt has continued to grow, despite bigger tax collections than ever before in our history. Such increases must stop.

American business, earning a fraction of the income produced in 1929, is now paying nearly twice as large a total of taxes. In 1929, with business at record-breaking levels, the taxes amounted to \$1,235,733,000. In 1939, with business not so good, the taxes collected by the U. S. Treasury will amount to \$2,124,175,000. This sharp increase is accounted for by the tax on payrolls levied to support systems of old age insurance and unemployment insurance.

Corporation income taxes 10 yrs. ago produced a revenue of \$1,235,733,000. Present income taxes are producing an estimated \$926,000,000, or more than \$300,000,000 less than they produced back in 1929. Since then, however, payroll taxes have been added and today such imposts are yielding an estimated \$1,198,175,000, or about \$272,000,000 more than all of the corporation income taxes are netting.

As a result of the additional payroll taxes, the burden of American business is nearly \$1,000,000,000 larger than the load carried in the last boom year. Were this increase confined only to those companies that could afford paying same, there might be a different story, but it hits thousands of employers least able to pay and thus penalizes them at a time when plant improvement and new workers could be added, or wages increased.

In Case of War Many Plants Would Have to Move

THE army officials are asking the airplane manufacturers and others that would be called on to make arms, etc., to get their plants away from the coasts

Convention Dates

April 12-13—2nd Annual Conference at New York City, Hotel Commodore, of American Management Assn. Industrial and Marketing Problems to be discussed.

May 1-4—27th Annual Convention at Washington, D. C. of Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

May 8-9-Midyear Meeting, Associated Grocery Manufacturers of America, The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

May 19-20—Spring Session, American Marketing Assn., Medinah Club, Chicago.

June 15-17—20th Annual Convention at Winnipeg, of Canadian Storage & Transfermen's Assn.

June 26-28—Annual convention, Associated Traffic Clubs of America, Palace Hotel, San Francisco.

July 28-Aug. 7—Seventh World's Poultry Congress, Cleveland, Ohio.

and to move them inside the mountain chains for safety in case of war.

The army has selected 10,000 American manufacturing plants "where munitions will be made whenever the necessity arises." It is stated that the airplane and engine manufacturers who form 90 per cent of the country's productive sources in those fields now had their plants in places that would be exposed to destruction in coastal air raids in time of war. They have been asked to follow the general headquarters air force inland. The War Dept. chose Scott Field at Belleville, Ill., as the headquarters for the GHQ air force for no other than strategic reasons. Illinois consequently would be a good state for airplane builders.

Of the 10,000 plants, 1,546 are in an area that would be administered from a Chicago headquarters. It is said that 780 of the plants are in Illinois, 279 in Wisconsin, 216 in Michigan and 85 in Indiana.

South Carolina Makes History in Adoption of Mozingo Bill

South Carolina has become the first state to secure legislative action on the question of establishing educational standards and safeguards for the profession of traffic management. Its legislature has adopted a concurrent resolution offered by Senator James P. Mozingo, III, of Darlington, which provides for the appointment of a research committee which will hold hearings and obtain data to determine what shall be done in that state to elevate traffic management as a profession.

The committee will be known as the Research Commission, Profession of Traffic Managers and Freight Rate Men. It will be composed of six men, two from either the local division or general offices of the rail carriers, who have had at least 15 yrs. of practical work and experience in freight rates; two commercial traffic managers who have distinguished themselves in their field of endeavor, and two from the motor truck industry whose experience and accomplishments enable them to render valuable service to the research commission. These men are to serve without compensation from the State and will report findings and recommendations to the Governor within 1 yr. after appointment by him. The Governor in turn will submit the report to the legislature.

Full particulars of the South Carolina bill will be found on pages 15 and 16 of the February issue of DandW.

Due credit must be paid not only to Senator Mozingo but H. A. Manning of Hartsville for their fine work in making this bill possible and for its passage.

U. S. Chamber's Annual Meeting at Washington, May 1-4

Getting private business enterprise under full headway will be the general objective of the 27th annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, which will be held in Washington, May 1-4. In many respects it is the most important business meeting of its kind to be held in many years—not only because it affords opportunity for arriving at a business consensus on problems of national concern at the moment, but also because every industry and every individual business enterprise has a direct and vital interest in their solution.

What part has government policy played in causing the halting of private business enterprise and other important questions will be discussed at the meeting. Some of the topics are: Thrift in Government, the necessity of curtailing public expenditures; Traffic and Trade, the part of transportation in recovery; Stepping Up Distribution, expanding markets; Tax Brakes on Industry and Employment; Labor and Management in Double Harness; Tools for Industry, the need of capital goods; and Purchasing Power, the wage of production.

Dr. Maguite to Cover News from the Orient for DandW

Jacques C. Maguite, O.S.D., is on his way to the Orient, where he will secure for DandW first hand news on raw materials, shipping and warehousing conditions as far inland as Chungking. His itinerary includes Japan, the Philippines, Indo-China, Malaya, Dutch East Indies and Burma, where he will make a thorough study of conditions.

Dr. Maguite was born in Mongolia and was employed as advisor to the Chinese Government for 12½ yrs. He speaks many Oriental languages and has exceptional knowledge of the Far Eastern markets.

His series of articles in <code>DandW</code> will start in the June issue. They will reveal vital on-the-spot data of interest to not only industrialists interested in that section of the world as a market but to those also who depend materially on products that must be secured there.

Dr. Maguite recently achieved at Harvard University the degree of Doctor of Oriental Sciences, a degree rarely conferred.

Texas Proposes State Licensing of Warehouse Owners

Operators of warehouses would be required to obtain a license from the State of Texas Commissioner of Agriculture, and to operate under strict regulations promulgated by the commissioner, in a bill recently introduced by Rep. A. B. Tarwater of Plainview. His measure, House Bill No. 397, would exempt warehouses which are now operating under the U. S. Warehouse Act.

State bond for warehousemen would run from \$5,000 to \$100,000 on a scale of \$5,000 for each 500,000 gross sq. ft. or fraction thereof. For grain warehouses the bond would be based on 5 cents per bushel of the maximum capacity of the warehouse.

The act provides for a director and examiners, one examiner for each 100 warehouses. Examination fees would be from \$5 to \$50.

Suits to recover on the bond would be tried in the county where the warehouse is located, or brought by the attorney general in Travis County. Penalty for operating a warehouse without a license would be a fine from \$1 to \$1,000, a jail sentence of not more than 6 mos., or both.

Aid to S. I. Foreign Trade Zone Opposed by N. Y. Board of Trade

The New York Board of Trade recently adopted a series of resolutions opposing both further appropriations by New York City for the foreign trade zone at Staten Island, and the empowering of Congress to legislate interritorial freight rates.

In opposing further appropriations for the foreign trade zone, the resolution stated that according to information received by the board, "contrary to the purposes for which it was created, and contrary to the intent of the law, the zone is being used principally for the commercial storage of merchandise formerly stored in privately-owned storage warehouses in the City of New York and at rates, which, in addition to being destructive to private taxpaying business, fall far short of meeting the city's true out-of-pocket costs."

In other words, it points out that the zone is being operated as "a subsidized commercial warehouse," and for 2 yrs. has been a serious drain upon the taxpayers without accomplishing the purpose for which it was intended.

The board opposed the plan to issue \$389,500 of securities of the City of New York, which together with \$1,249,000 of W. P. A. funds, would be used to build additional facilities in the zone.

In opposing Congressional action on interritorial freight rates, the resolution said that the Interstate Commerce Commission was studying the proposal and held that such freight rates should be "decided by an impartial and non-political tribunal, composed of members fitted by training and experience to decide such questions upon their merits and apart from political considerations."

Williamson Leaves Distribution

Fred M. Williamson has resigned as eastern manager of Distribution Service, Inc. and it is understood that he will head a new organization for the solicitation of warehousing and transportation business.

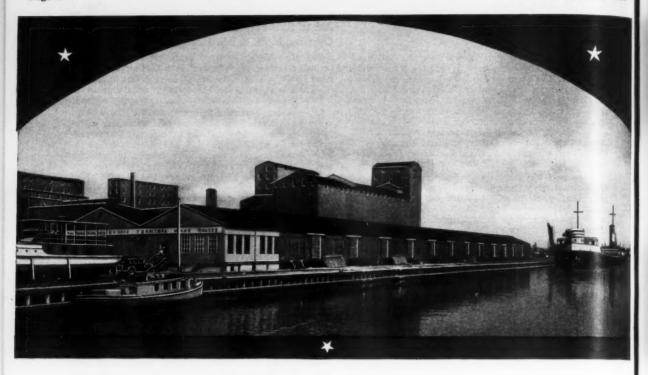
Mr. Williamson has been affiliated with Distribution



F. M. WILLIAMSON

Service, Inc. for 11 yrs. Prior to this he was a member of the traffic department of the Borden Company and also served many years with the Eric Railroad.

Until such time as his plans are more definitely settled and an office established, Mr. Williamson's business address will be 11 Stone St., N. Y. C.



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THE HANDWRITING ON THE WATER

Transportation Over the Navigable Waterways of the United States This Year Will Be Greater Than Ever. Many New Products Coming Direct to Great Lake Ports. New Barge Lines Established and Industry Is Locating Its Plants on Our Inland Waterways to Secure Low Cost Distribution and to Reduce Cost of Assembling Raw Materials

TEVER in the history of the United States has the population been more waterminded than at present. Individuals and industrialists are interested-the big Naval program, governmental and private construction of freighters for world business, inland motorships, river barges in large numbers, yachts, cabin cruisers, sail boats, canoes, or the newly invented 9-lb. underyour-arm size motor that kicks along a boat load of five passengers 50 miles on one gallon of gas with no smell, no noise, and no put-put-put. Even the kiddies have their twisted rubberband powerplant whirling the propellor on their little motor boats. What proud parent hasn't admired and butted in to help navigate the miniature sailing ships on any park wading pool or lake most everywhere?

The United States extends North to South 1,598 miles; East to West 2,807 miles. The Canadian boundary is 3,987 miles; Mexican 2,013 miles; total coast line 11,936 miles divided: Atlantic Coast 5,565 miles; Pacific 2,730; and Gulf of Mexico 3,641 miles.

Within this area are 260,000 miles or more of railroads and 25,000 miles of navigable waterways including principally the Great Lakes, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Delaware, and Hudson Rivers. Over these avenues of transportation passes a flood of internal commerce greater than the internal commerce of France, Germany and the United Kingdom together, and equal in value to the combined imports and exports of all the countries of the worldand we are just starting to use our natural God-given man-improved longest and finest rivers and lakes in the world, over a free right of way open to all the people.

Our forefathers, who first traveled by water, picked the locations for many of our cities. The following are twenty-five of the largest American cities with their population census of 1930:

	Population	Rank
New York, N. Y	6,930,446	1
Chicago, Ill.	3,376,438	2
Philadelphia, Pa	1,950,961	3
Detroit, Mich	1,568,662	4
Los Angeles, Cal	1,238,048	
Cleveland, O	900.429	6
St. Louis, Mo	821,960	7
Baltimore, Md	804.874	7 8
Boston, Mass	781,188	9
Pittsburgh, Pa	669.817	10
San Francisco, Cal	634,394	11
Milwaukce, Wis	578,249	12
Buffalo, N. Y	573,076	13
Washington, D. C	486,869	14
Minneapolis, Minn	464,356	15
New Orleans, La	458,762	16
Cincinnati, O	451,160	17
Newark, N. J	442,337	18
Kansas City, Mo	399,746	19
Seattle, Wash	365,583	20
Indianapolis, Ind	364,161	21
Rochester, N. Y	328,132	22
Jersey City, N. J	816,715	23
Louisville, Ky	307,745	24
Portland, Ore	301,815	25

Every one of these cities is on navigable water except Indianapolis, Ind., which bears the unusual distinction of being the largest city in the world NOT on navigable water but which benefits by its Ohio River and Lake Michigan shores not far distant.

If one should rearrange these cities in regard to their respective water locations, leaving out Washington (not an industrial city in the minds of many), he would find them quite evenly divided: Atlantic Coast 6; Great Lakes, 6; Rivers, 7; Pacific Coast, 4; with the population totals in the same order.

The Great Lakes within its borders alone handles the largest ships and tonnage consisting of ore. coal and grain. Ore down, and coal up; grain in either direction, depending on world crop and economic conditions, but usually from the Canadian Northwest and grain producing States west of Chicago. Both Montreal and New York benefit-Montreal having the preference with superb facilities for grain handling and elevator storage. The New York gateway, Hudson River-New York State Barge Canal, provides heavy tonnage to the Lakes as does Montreal, usually interchanging from ocean carriers to Lake graincarriers returning to the Upper

Many new commodities are coming through these ports, some by direct steamers (all new ships) now operating on regular scheduled voyages, serving Chicago, Milwaukee, Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland, Buffalo and Rochester, from London, Liverpool, Oslo, Rotterdam. Antwerp.

A Cuba-Great Lakes direct service without transfer of cargo enroute is a possibility this year via New York, the State Barge Canal and Oswego, and also via Montreal into Lake Michigan. New sugar refining plants are under construction in Chicago and Milwaukee that will require substantial tonnage of raw sugar, either Cuban or Philippine. This commodity will be the basis of one leg of the voyage of these new services which may include the heavy tonnage of Cuban Refined sugars that reach the cities of the Lakes.

Reaching Chicago on this mythical trip, we find the latest report of the Chicago Regional Port Commission, condensed in the 1939 (6th edition) Interstate Port Hand Book just off the press (it's worth sending for), full of information on new commodities and new high figures on waterborne tonnage for the 5-yr. record.

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An increasing consistent and substantial growth, proving the advantages of water transportation.

New barge lines make their appearance with Chicago as headquarters. One, the Central Barge Line, recently ordering eighty new barges and accompanying tugs, as contract carriers operating on the Illinois, Mississippi and Ohio Rivers. Another, the John I. Hay Co., contract barge line, operating from St. Louis and Illinois River points to Chicago with through contract service on bulk cargo between Chicago and Memphis, New Orleans, Port Arthur, Beaumont and Houston. A third, the Barry Barge Line, Chicago-St. Louis and intermediate points on contract basis.

Gartland Steamship Co., long established lake contract carrier, offers service in connection with transshipment between river barge lines and Lake ports in addition to its regular routes.

The Federal Barge Lines (U. S. Government-owned and operated) have regular scheduled twice-aweek tows between Chicago and New Orleans via the Illinois River and St. Louis, connecting with Mobile, Birmingham, Memphis and Cairo. Other services of this line are between Chicago and Kansas City (Missouri River), Chicago and Minneapolis, St. Paul, Dubuque, Rock Island on Upper Mississippi River.

The Ohio River-Mississippi service is operated by:

- 1. Mississippi Valley Barge Line, Cincinnati to New Orleans, via Louisville, Evansville, St. Louis and Memphis.
- 2. American Barge Lines, Pittsburgh-New Orleans and principal city calls.
- 3. Union Barge Line, Pittsburgh, Memphis to New Orleans, through service. Package freight barge service between Ohio River points.

Private operators and industrial concerns, carrying their own materials, are increasing their fleets for bulk and liquid cargoes.

Interesting developments on the Upper Missouri may change the flow of transcontinental traffic, and consideration must be given the possibilities of traffic between Kansas City in the west and Pittsburgh in the east. Those cities are potential important ports.

Industrial Activity

Ol' Man River is the salesman who is bringing new industrial activity to the Mississippi Basin. Harnessed for modern transportation needs, he offers low cost distribution for the products of factories, and is helping reduce the cost of assembling raw materials.

Industry is moving to the waterways. All up and down the Mississippi River and its tributaries new industries are developing and national manufacturers are locating new manufacturing and distributing units.

Ever since the Panama Canal was completed, joining the Atlantic and Pacific coasts by a low cost all-water route, the interior has suffered a serious freight rate handicap in competing with industries located on or adjacent to tide water. The manufacturer on the Atlantic or Pacific seaboard could ship to the opposite coast by water cheaper than his interior competitor could ship by rail to either coast. The economies of low cost

inland water transportation is helping lift this handicap.

It is recognition of the value of the waterways, plus the strategic position of the Valley as a distribution center and because it is the center of most of the nation's raw materials, that is causing new industry to locate there. And most significant of all is that the trend to the waterways is only beginning.

How important this trend is can best be illustrated by specific examples. Low cost inland waterway transportation was one of the principal factors in the decision of Henry Ford to locate one of the Ford Motor Co.'s largest assembly plants in the St. Louis area.

Work has already begun on the new plant on a 374 acre property in St. Louis County near the mouth of the Meramec River. When it is completed it will provide employment for from 4,000 to 4,500 men and will be capable of turning out 900 cars a day. The present plant in St. Louis employs less than 1,000 men and has a maximum capacity of 185 automobiles a day.

The plans for the plant include a direct waterway connection with the Mississippi, so that raw materials and parts manufactured in the company's other plants may be shipped by water into the very plant itself, and automobiles may be loaded at the plant on barges for shipment up and down the

The waterways have aided in bringing and keeping many other industries in St. Louis. The development of the steel industry in the St. Louis metropolitan area is predicated in a large measure on the effect of water transportation on moving iron ore to St. Louis. The increasing use of the waterways for the transportation of petroleum and its products is helping make the St. Louis industrial district a center for the refining and distribution of gasoline.

St. Louis is widely recognized as one of the coffee trade centers of the country, and three-fourths of the coffee reaches the city by barge from New Orleans. The chemical companies are able to produce and expand because they can bring raw materials to their plants by water. And of course much of the city's importance as a grain center is predicated on low cost water transportation.

At Clinton, Ia, the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Co. has purchased a 500-acre site and plan the construction of a factory for the production of cellophane. Approximately 800 men are being given employment in the construction work, and when the plant is finished, regular employment will be provided for 500 workers.

Another large manufacturing plant which located at Clinton because of the waterway is the Curtis Companies, which has an aggregate capital of \$12,000,000 and employs approximately 500 men.

Rock Island, Ill., is another city which has learned of the benefits of the waterway. There are 97 manufacturing establishments in Rock Island, which furnish employment to 10,000 persons and pay wages which total approximately \$14,000,000 annually.

One of the large manufacturing plants at Rock Island is the Farmall plant of the International Harvester Co. The company in the last 10 yrs. has completed a \$1,-000,000 expansion program at Rock Island. Its employment total has grown from 1,800 in 1928 to 8,577 in Dec. of 1937, and its payroll for 1937 was approximately \$11,000,-000. The factory which makes the famous "Farmall" tractor is located on the bank of the river, so that full advantage may be taken of water transportation.

The J. I. Case Co. is also located at Rock Island, and Deere & Co. has one of the largest plants of its kind in America in Moline.

Peoria Transportation Advantage

The transportation advantage of Peoria, Ill., on the Illinois Waterway was instrumental in bringing industry to that city. The huge Caterpillar Tractor Co., with a payroll of approximately 12,500 persons, is one of the industries which is located at Peoria because of the waterway. Another is the Hiram Walker Distillery, which furnishes employment to 800 persons, and still another is the R. G. Le Tourneau Co.'s road machinery plant, which employs approximately 600 persons.

La Crosse, Wis., also has tangible evidence of the value of the waterway. Located on the Upper Mississippi River, low cost inland waterway transportation has brought a number of important industries to that city.

One of them is the Allis-Chalmers Co. This company moved its plant to La Crosse about 6 yrs. ago to obtain access to water transportation. The company now employs 750 men at La Crosse and expects to add 500 more when a \$1,000,000 addition to its plant is completed.

The National Piano Mfg. Co. has also located its factory at La Crosse. Commenting on the value of the waterway, Henry G. Johnson, president of the company said: "The Upper Mississippi channel when it is completed will allow us to ship our pianos down the Mississippi, through the Panama Canal and up the western coast of the Pacific.

It will also allow us to ship pianos to the leading cities along the river."

Other industries which have located at La Crosse because of its location on the waterway include the G. Heileman Brewing Co., the La Crosse Rubber Mills, the Iron Products Co. and the Trane Co., which manufactures air-conditioning equipment.

Minneapolis and St. Paul are also witnessing the benefits of the waterway, particularly in their growing importance as an oil distributing center. Early in 1937 the Shell Petroleum Corp. purchased 30 acres of river front property and constructed storage tanks with a capacity of 15,000,000 gals. This is now being increased to 21,000,000 gals., and it is understood additional expansion is planned.

The same year the Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. acquired 40 acres along the river and constructed a barge petroleum terminal with a storage capacity of 1,700,000 gals. The company eventually plans a terminal with a storage capacity of from 25,000,000 to 30,000,000 gals. The Pure Oil Co. is also developing greater tank capacity on the river.

Another company which moved to St. Paul because of the advantages of water transportation is the Great Lakes Coal and Coke Co. A subsidiary of the company, the Carbo Coke Co., has erected a modern briquetting plant for the manufacture of petroleum briquets. 1939 will see increased activity in coal movement on the Upper Mississippi.

Coming down the Mississippi to Iowa, we find five new industries at Dubuque, with an aggregate payroll of more than 1,000 persons. At Fort Madison, the du Pont Co. has recently located a large paint factory, and Keokuk reports the location of several industries there.

Memphis Active

Because of its location on the Mississippi River, Memphis, Tenn. has become a distributing center for the South and Southwest of steel, grain, lumber and many other products. It is the largest interior hardwood lumber market in the world and, of course, is an important cotton market.

The Memphis Chamber of Commerce announces that plants for eight different manufacturing operations are either under construction or have recently been completed. The total investment in plants and equipment was approximately \$3,000,000 and the annual payrolls for the new plants is estimated at \$1,000,000. In addition, established industries in Memphis have begun expansion programs involving the expenditure of a third of a million dollars.

One of the new plants at Memphis is that of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. The company plans to manufacture tires in Memphis and also to use the plant as a distributing center for its other products. In announcing the company's decision to locate in Memphis, Harvey S. Firestone said:

"We can make quite a saving in transportation costs by shipping rubber right to our plant in Memphis by an all-water route to New Orleans and up the Mississippi, both from our plantations in Liberia and from the Far East."

Memphis is the distributing base for the Southwest of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Co. and the Spang, Chalfant Steel Co.

Low Cost Benefits

Many other cities on the inland waterways can testify to similar benefits from low cost inland waterway transportation. The Ohio River 9-ft. channel improvement has brought low cost inland waterway transportation to cities in the Ohio Valley. It is an important factor in the steel industry at Pittsburgh, it has brought a number of important factories to Evansville, Ind., and Cincinnati, Louisville, and other cities can report increased industrial activity as a result of their location on the river.

At Kansas City, which is now connected with the Mississippi System by a 6-ft. channel on the Missouri River, new grain terminals have been built and the city is increasing in importance as an oil distributing center. Greenville, Miss., constructed a river terminal several years ago and has grown in importance as a river port city.

New Orleans, a gateway to export markets for valley products, has long recognized the value of the waterways. Today it is the second port of the United States—a position which it owes in no small measure to the inland waterways.

Mobile, Ala., is another port city which is reaping benefits from the waterways. The annual report of the Mobile Chamber of Commerce lists nine industries which either built new plants or expanded existing ones. They include a new \$4,000,000 plant for the Aluminum Ore Co., the construction of a complete pulp and paper mill for the Hollingsworth and Whitney Co. and the first unit of a \$2,000,000 plant for the National Gypsum Co.

These illustrations are eloquent testimony of how Ol' Man River and his tributaries are aiding in the development of industry in the Mississippi Basin. And the important point is that this is only

the forerunner of industrial development in this section.

This valley is the natural resource storehouse of America. It contains 92 per cent of the iron ore, 82 per cent of the coal, 76 per cent of the known petroleum resources, produces 65 per cent of the agricultural products, and a large share of such natural resources as lumber, zinc, lead, phosphate, and sulphur.

Clearly this is the logical place for the industrial growth of the future. High cost distribution has been the biggest problem of this area in the past. As this survey indicates, the inland waterways are helping solve that problem. The economy of the inland waterway carriers lies primarily in the size of their operations. The average barge tow consists of a modern towboat and from 4 to 10 barges, of from 1,000 to 2,000 tons capacity each. One 2,000-ton barge is equal in capacity to 40 average size freight cars.

On the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers 12,000 tons of mixed cargo in a single tow is not uncommon. This is the equivalent of 248 average freight cars loaded to capacity, or 16 average freight train loads. It is equal to the capacity of 24 average packet boats of the "old days" when steamboats were at their zenith on the Mississippi.

The common carrier tows on the Mississippi between St. Louis and New Orleans operate on a regular schedule of 7 days downstream and 13 days upstream, with stopovers for loading and discharging freight en route. Express packet boats, which supplement the barges, operate on a somewhat faster schedule.

Progress Made

While the improvement of the inland waterways for navigation is not completed, substantial progress has been made in recent years. The Monongahela, Ohio, and Lower Mississippi Rivers have standard-gauge 9-ft. channels. In 1933 the Illinois Waterway, connecting Chicago and other Illinois cities with the Mississippi System and forming the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Waterway, was opened to navigation. There is a 6-ft. channel on the Missouri River to Kansas City and work is progressing rapidly on the upper Missouri River to provide a 6-ft channel as far as Sioux City, Ia., which, with the completion of the Fort Peck Dam and Reservoir, is expected to be raised

The completion of a 9-ft. channel on the Upper Mississippi to St. Paul and Minneapolis is scheduled for 1940, and barges are operating on the Warrior River to Mobile (Concluded on page 13)

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and Birmingham, while the Texas ports of Orange, Port Arthur, Beaumont, Galveston and Houston are served by the Intracoastal Canal, which will ultimately reach as far as Corpus Christi, Tex.

While the development of inland water navigation and the extension of its economies to every section of the Midcontinent area through joint rail-river rates is essential to the economic future of this region, it is only one phase of the nation's waterway program. The complete program for the conservation and use of our water resources includes in addition to navigation, protection against floods, the checking of soil erosion, and the use of our surplus waters to restore ground water levels, and for irrigation and navigation.

Nor does this program mean the waterways will supplant other forms of transportation. Waterway development will prove the greatest commerce builder for the railroads and highways, each performing the service it is best qualified to render, and each form coordinated into the network of transportation arteries which will serve the best interests of the Valley.

But neither transportation nor industrial development are goals in themselves. They are but means to the objectives outlined at the beginning of this article. The process might be outlined like this:

Low cost inland water transportation with joint rail and river rates is making it possible for industry to develop in the Mississippi Valley and close to the great agricultural consuming markets of the country.

This step, in turn, with the wider opportunities to reach foreign markets via the waterways and the Gulf ports, means expanding markets for both agricultural and manufactured products.

And all of these factors contribute to the restoration of a normal balance of population in this country, instead of the present unconomic concentration of both population and industry in the "deep water rim" along the seacoasts and the Great Lakes. It means also permanent prosperity for the Mississippi Valley, increased business for all forms of transportation, greater security of employment, better living conditions, and wider opportunities for the average man.

These are the economic objectives of the Mississippi Valley. Ol' Man River, who has profoundly influenced our history ever since the days of the first coming of the white men, today is helping us attain these objectives.

Despite the great increase in freight transportation in recent years, and the encouraging tonnage reports frequently issued, it remains a fact that there are many important cities along the rivers still lacking the slightest vestige of direct water service. In many cases these are cities which were prominent river ports in the packet days, supported large wharfboats, and both shipped and received

large amounts of cargo by water.

The reason for this unsatisfactory condition is that there is, as yet, no generally accepted solution of the terminal problem.

There are, at least, three ways in which terminals may be established: by one individual line which operates a freight service; by the municipality; or by an organization which makes a business of operating the terminal.

The first method, in a measure, establishes a monopoly for one transportation company if the city be not large enough for more than one terminal. A municipal terminal must meet the usual objections advanced against any government-owned enterprise. A terminal operated as a business of its own, somewhat along the line of many of the old wharfboats, may be the best solution if the terminal does not claim too large a share of the revenue and thus throttle the transportation agency.

Unfortunately neither individuals nor corporations are very likely to enter the business of establishing independent terminals unless they are first assured that transportation companies will patronize their enterprise. Similarly there is a hesitancy about embarking in the waterways freight business owing to the limited number of terminals available for the interchange of freight. Perhaps the business must yet develop by the establishment of municipal terminals or of private terminals for the use of individual transportation lines.

Twelve New Hay Steel Barges

EARLY in February the John I. Hay Co., a contract carrier operating in the Chicago district and on the Illinois and upper Mississippi Rivers, watched the first of its twelve new barges slip into the icy waters of the Illinois River.

These new barges are all identical, being of all steel and welded construction, not any wood being used in them. All are also of the same dimensions—180 ft. long, 42 ft. wide, and 11 ft. deep, each having a capacity of 1,500 tons. They

are hopper type construction and designed for the handling of sand, gravel, crushed stone, coal, and similar bulk cargoes. Each has a 19-ft. rake at the bow to reduce the power required for pushing the barges through the water.

The addition of these twelve barges will bring the number of the units in the fleet of the John I. Hay Co. up to thirty-two. The present plan is to put the new barges into service transporting coal from Liverpool, some 40 miles

south of Peoria, to Chicago. Some of the older units of the fleet consist of tank type barges, used for transporting gasoline, fuel oil, and other liquid cargoes.

These steel barges were fabricated at the central plant of the Chicago Bridge and Iron Co. at Washington Heights, on Chicago's far southside, and were shipped by rail for assembly and welding to the company's barge yard at Seneca on the Illinois River.



Scene at Seneca, on the Illinois River, showing the newly launched barge of the John I. Hay Co., giving a good view of the rake at the bow as compared with the cut of the stern.



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WATERWAYS AND TERMINALS

Lakes-Sea Traffic May Double in 1939

OUBLE the number of ships are going to go up the lakes this year via the St. Lawrence than for 1938, and Canadian shipping interests as well as more than one ocean steamship line are all going to feel the pinch, according to present indications. Briefly, the question is woodpulp, and reduced rates.

Up 'till now, the Norwegians have had the Great Lakes practically to themselves, from a standpoint of ocean traffic, but last year the Oranje Line invaded the field, and now the Dutch flag Oranje Line and the Norwegian flag Fjell Line are in a pulpwood battle. The fight has resulted in Canadian tonnage getting sideswiped badly.

Last year, all told, 90 odd ships went up and down the lakes, going to and from the ocean. This year, it is said that about 200 will make the same trip. The Fjell Line has just produced a new ship, the Harpefjell. Meanwhile, the Dutch are bringing out another new vessel, built in Holland specially for the Great Lakes trade.

But some of the organizations which have only been flirting with the business have jumped right in this business.

The combined lake and ocean rate from the Baltic to the east side of Lake Michigan is said to run from \$6.75 to \$7 per ton. The foreign flag ships can cut this from 75 cents to \$1, it is said, and the minimum difference will be at least 50 cents. It is also stated that the Canadian lake ships want an additional 50 cents a ton to go to the west side of Lake Michigan, against a lesser rate by the ocean vessels.

The Norwegian America Line and the Canadian service of the Swedish America Mexico Line have dealt largely in this trade for the past half dozen years, and there have been many times each year that the inward cargoes were almost exclusively woodpulp. This business is therefore badly "shot" for 1939. The foreign ships, such as the Norwegian Line, are powerless to appeal to Ottawa, since it is a Norwegian Line undercutting them, but the big Canadian lake firms intend to protest, and it is said they will.

Water Carrier Earnings

THE Commission has issued a compilation No. Q-650, showing revenues and traffic of large carriers by water with annual operating revenues of more than \$500,000 a year, subject to the interstate commerce act, for the fourth quarter, October to December, of 1938 and 1937.

For all the carriers covered the compilation shows total freight revenue of \$22,236,546 for 1938 as compared with \$18,926,888 for 1937, an increase of 17.5 per cent, and a total of 4,310,980 tons for 1937.

The compilation also shows total passenger revenue of \$2,224,762 for 1938, as compared with \$2,058,655 for 1937, an increase of 8.1 per cent; and 743,309 passengers carried in 1938, as compared with 666,663 in 1937

The carriers are classified as groups, namely, Atlantic and Gulf coasts, Great Lakes, Mississippi River and tributaries, and Pacific Coast.

The Atlantic and Gulf coasts group, the compilation shows, derived freight revenue of \$10,863,868 in 1938 as compared with \$8,672,201 in 1937, an increase of

25.3 per cent; and carried 1,830,908 tons of revenue freight in 1938 as compared with 1,708,520 in 1937. This group also had passenger revenue of \$1,528,998 in 1938, as compared with \$1,333,475 in 1937, an increase of 14.7 per cent; and carried 189,929 revenue passengers in 1938, as compared with 173,416 in 1937.

In the Great Lakes group the carriers had freight revenue of \$2,314,578 in 1938, as compared with \$2,-297,509 in 1937, an increase of seven-tenths of one percent; and carried 651,162 tons of revenue freight in 1938 as compared with 731,585 tons in 1937. They had passenger revenue of \$16,466 in 1938, as compared with \$19,574 in 1937, a decrease of 15.9 per cent; and carried 4,142 revenue passengers in 1938, as compared with 4,900 in 1937.

In the Mississippi River and tributaries group, where no passenger operations are shown, the carriers had freight revenue of \$3,045,484 in 1938, as compared with \$2,577,263 in 1937, an increase of 18.2 per cent; and carried 960,518 tons of revenue freight in 1938, as compared with 783,251 tons in 1937.

The Pacific coast group carriers had freight revenue of \$6,012,616 in 1938, as compared with \$5,379,915 in 1937, an increase of 11.8 per cent; and carried 1,068,-105 tons of revenue freight in 1938, as compared with 1,087,624 in 1937. These carriers also had total passenger revenue of \$679,298 in 1938, as compared with \$705,606 in 1937, a decrease of 3.7 per cent; and carried 549,238 revenue passengers in 1938, as compared with 488,347 in 1937.

The compilation shows that the American Barge Line Co., Inc., had \$542,115 freight revenue in 1938, as compared with \$388,474 in 1937, an increase of 39.5 per cent; and carried 181,627 tons of revenue freight in 1938, as compared with 114,056 tons in 1937. It shows that the Federal Barge Lines had freight revenue of \$1,912,410 in 1938, as compared with \$1,701,710 in 1937, an increase of 12.4 per cent; and carried 672,304 tons of revenue freight in 1938, as compared with 567,343 in 1937. It also shows that the Mississippi Valley Barge Line Co. had freight revenue of \$590,959 in 1938, as compared with \$487,079 in 1937, an increase of 21.3 per cent; and carried 106,587 tons of revenue freight in 1938, as compared with 1937.

Ocean Ships Coming into Lakes

WITH resumption of navigation on the Great Lakes at hand there are rumors and reports of regular and tramp steamship operations between Europe and the lake ports. The following are definite fixtures:

The steamer Betta, china clay to east bank Michigan port with return cargo of grain to Europe.

Steamer Brott ditto both inwards and outwards.

Steamer Birto, cargo of ferro manganese coming into Lake Michigan from Rotterdam with cargo of coke to go outbound.

Steamer Lysaker V, cargo of woodpulp into the lakes with cargo of grain back to Europe.

Steamer Hildur I, cargo of ferro manganese from Rotterdam for discharge at Detroit and/or Chicago. This vessel is not as yet reported fixed outbound.

Steamer Reiaas, 1000-ton cargo of woodpulp from Sweden to Toledo. This vessel not as yet reported fixed outbound. It is indicated that the Reiaas has been bidding for 350 tons of canned fish into Lake Michigan on a rate of \$9 a ton but leading fish importers are not showing interest in the offering.

The steamer Trolla is reported fixed into the Great Lakes from Europe but no details are available.

Movement of newsprint from the Baltic area into the Great Lakes is expected to provide unusual chartering activity, it being reported that fully 40,000 tons of European newsprint has been sold to consumers in the Great Lakes area. Some of this newsprint has already moved through New Orleans to Chicago.

Advises Delaying Lakes-Ohio Canal

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT and the chief of army engineers sent varying views to Congress on a proposal to dig a \$200,000,000 Beaver-Mahoning canal thru Ohio and Pennsylvania, connecting the Great Lakes and the Ohio River.

Maj. Gen. J. L. Schley reported to the Rivers and Harbors Committee that "the savings in transportation charges and other benefits are sufficient to warrant adoption of the project at this time." His approval was conditioned on the cooperation of local interests.

Mr. Roosevelt, emphasizing that he was not expressing "any formal disapproval," said the Interstate Commerce Commission should make a survey of railroad rates in the area before any huge Federal outlay was made for the canal.

The President referred to a report from the National Resources Board saying that if the lines would make a permanent average cut of 29 cents a ton, the project would not be justified.

Gen. Schley agreed with this and added that "since it is impossible to determine at this time the extent and effect of future possible rail rate reductions," only canalization from the Ohio River as far as Struthers, Ohio, should be undertaken at the start.

In addition, Mr. Roosevelt raised the question of "priority." He said an undertaking of that magnitude would "necessarily push to one side" other public works. His comments were set forth in a memorandum to Sec. Woodring and were submitted to the House committee with Gen. Schley's report.

Meanwhile, the Florida ship canal proposal, another \$200,000,000 project, was brought back to public attention when the Dept. of Commerce withdrew objections to the undertaking.

The objections had been registered in a 1934 report. Acting on a Senate request that the report be brought up to date, the department said that potential traffic had increased 100 per cent since its previous study and that the project had been changed from a lock type to a sea level canal.

Plan New Lakes-Europe Service

Rumors that a third company is considering establishing regular freight service between the Great Lakes and Southern Europe are being circulated. It is said the company would use vessels of the Mosvold shipping interests of Norway under a time charter. Torrey Mosvold, head of the company, visited the United States recently. The Norwegian Fjell Line has operated successfully into the Lakes for several years, and the Dutch Oranje Line will enter the field this year.

Great Lakes-West Indies

THE transportation department of the Chicago Assn. of Commerce has issued a bulletin to members advising that it has been approached in connection with possible establishment of all-water service between Great Lakes ports and the West Indies (excluding Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands), Mexico and the Caribbean area, including Venezuela and Colombia. The bulletin states that "such service is contemplated by an old steamship line provided there is reasonable

assurance of sufficient tonnage to justify it. Any members interested in such service are requested to advise the association to this effect and state the approximate volume of tonnage which they could supply."

Officials of the Chicago Assn. of Commerce refused to disclose particulars as to the steamship line interested in developing the projected service.

Free Lighterage Plea Won by Port of New York

The Port of New York has won its long fight to place New York on a parity with other ports on the movement of unboxed automobiles. The Traffic Executive Committee of the Trunk Line Assn., has ruled that effective March 1, unboxed automobiles would be lightered free to ships in the Port of New York.

Port interests have long maintained that New York was at a serious disadvantage in competing with Atlantic and Gulf ports such as Philadelphia, Baltimore and New Orleans because ship lines and shippers at New York had to pay for lighterage from track stations to side of vessels, whereas other ports had the advantage of rail-ship terminals.

Under the new ruling, free lighterage will be made on unboxed automobiles in carload lots only when for export. No split delivery of individual cars will be made. The arrangement is expected to bring a marked increase in automobile export through this port.

Baltic Rate War Feared Over Line's New Service

A SERIOUS rift in the North Atlantic-Baltic Freight Conference which, it is feared, may lead to dissolution of the conference and a resultant rate war in the trade, has been brought about by the application of the Thorden Lines, operators of Finnish-flag shipping, for membership in the rate body.

The conference, comprising seventeen lines operating directly to the Baltic or indirectly handling freight for the Scandinavian countries, has opposed the application of the Thorden Lines on the ground that the company seeks permission to operate in an unlimited trade, whereas the conference lines, although not stipulated in their agreement, have verbally agreed to limit their operations to a particular trade. The Thorden Lines, inasmuch as it operates Finnish ships, should hold its operations to the Finnish trade, the conference holds.

The Thorden Lines, with the new motorliners Carolina Thorden and Mathilda Thorden, recently opened a new service between New York and Stockholm and Helsingfors. Officials of Stockard & Co., Inc., New York agents for the line, said that the company would abide by all the rates and regulations of the conference, but the limitation of operations was not part of the agreement. Such limitation, the company officials said, was contrary to law.

Members of the North Atlantic-Baltic Conference operating directly in the trade are the American Scantic, Gdynia America, Norwegian America and Swedish American Lines. Other members of the conference are the Belgian, Ellerman-Wilson, Hamburg-American, Arnold Bernstein, Holland-America, North German Lloyd, Red Star, Black Diamond, Scandinavian American, Swedish American Mexico, Transatlantic Steamship, United States and Yankee Lines.

Proposed Steamboat Race

A CHALLENGE to a steamboat race has been sent to the Governors of New York, Ohio, Missouri, Kentucky, Illinois and Tennessee by the California State Chamber of Commerce. It is proposed that races be held simultaneously on the Hudson, Ohio, Mississippi, Sacramento and the San Joaquin Rivers over measured (Continued on page 93)

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aFrom abreast east end of U. S. center pier. bFrom White Star Line Dock.

Note.—Distances between points above Detroit (inclusive) and points in Lake Eric and below are via Amherstburg Channel. Downbound distances via Livingatone Channel are about 3 miles greater, except for Toledo

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Dam No. 4 at Alma, Wisconsin, showing locks in the foreground.

Below: Moving tons of freight easily and safely on the Mississippi.

OL' MAN RIVER ROLLS UP A FREIGHT VOLUME

Navigability of the Upper Mississippi Soon to be completed.

"C L' MAN RIVER," with a heavy load of freight-laden carriers on his back, soon will be climbing spryly up the steep path from St. Louis to the Twin Cities. Upper Mississippi River transportion grew by leaps and bounds during 1938, and with the completion of the channel from St. Louis to St. Paul, scheduled for the coming summer, a revived inland water transportation is anticipated in the years just ahead.

The completion of the "steps," or series of dams and locks, almost completed, and designed to open the upper Mississippi to regular profitable commercial navigation, will provide a 9-ft. channel in place of the 6-ft. one, which in periods of low water was frequently cut to 4, compelling barge lines to suspend operations. The new 9-ft. channel will make it possible to put heavier loads on the barges, reduce operating costs, and in general open the upper river to the class of barge transportation which the Ohio and the lower Mississippi have long enjoyed.

Statistics show a big increase in oil transportation, while farm products also loaded many barges and boats. From Muscatine, Iowa, alone, some 2,000,000 bushels of corn were shipped to Gulf ports. Steel is shipped from Pittsburgh to Mississippi River points for distribution over a wide area. These products may consist of pipe for use in the oil fields of Oklahoma and Texas; barbed wire for fencing the farms and ranches of the great plains area and the Southwest; tinplate for the manufacture of cans; structural steel for buildings; and coils of wire to be manufactured into springs. Ammonia sulphate, used in the manufacture of fertilizer; canned goods; farm implements; scrap iron; coal; petroleum products; sugar; logs; sand and gravel; cement; wheat; soap; news print; linters; rice; cotton; coffee; as well as heavy machinery and practically every conceivable type of product of industry or commodity of commerce; all make up the cargoes for transportation up and down the Mississippi and its navigable tributaries.

Moving these heavy cargoes of freight, Diesel-powered tow-boats are writing inland navigation history as they revive traffic in the middle West reminiscent of the heyday of the famous sidewheel packets of an earlier day. Contrary to general opinion, however, the loaded barges are lashed together and pushed rather than pulled. Equipped with powerful Diesel engines, the tow-boats easily plow along behind a fleet of ten or more of the heavily loaded barges, carrying as much as 12,000 tons of cargo.

The Mississippi, as it meanders from St. Louis to the Gulf, drops about 390 ft. in a course of some 1,260 miles, while in the 650 miles, from the Twin Cities to St. Louis, there is a drop of approximately 324 ft., thus offering obstacles to a restrained and dignified movement of the river, and to the safe transport of river freight.

All this is changed now. When the mammoth engineering project for deepening and disciplining the Mississippi is completed, a series of twenty-six steel and concrete dams will stretch across the river from Minneapolis to Alton, Ill., just above the mouth of the Missouri. These dams will check the river's swift slide. Behind each will be formed a long pool or lake of placid water that in no place will be shallower than 9 ft. river will resemble, in its downward course, a giant staircase of twenty-six steps. Suitable locks are being constructed at each dam.





Public Warehouses Entitled to Average Agreement

THE local freight agent of the Michigan Central Railroad has put the question to us as to whether we are a public warehouse. Such a warehouse, according to his understanding, was one that would have to accept any and all kinds of freight or truck shipments.

We have always called ourselves a public warehouse which would come under the type of general merchandise warehouse and we store such commodities as newsprint, foods, oils and greases, soap, rugs and other merchandise, although we are not under the supervision of the State of Michigan, not the U. S. Government. In the State of Michigan, the state does not assume any control over the warehouse.

The reason the railroad is interested in our status is due to an average agreement that we have with the Michigan Central Railroad and it seems that at the present time the government is checking very closely into the status of such agreements to see whether or not they are in order.

Some of our customers' cars are consigned direct to us. Others are consigned to themselves, notify us, and other shipments, newsprint particularly, are shipped to the local newspapers (two of them) who have given the railroads written orders to deliver such cars, when they come in, to our warehouse. Consequently they would come under our average agreement.

On cars of newsprint paper, the freight is paid here by the Grand Rapids Press and the Grand Rapids Herald, as the freight on these cars is invariably "collect." On all shipments to our warehouse, in most cases, the freight charges are prepaid.

If you will refer to the Carrier's Demurrage Tariff, Rule No. 9, covering average agreement, you will find the rule applying in this matter.

To be determined first of all is, "Are we a public warehouse?" and secondly, "Are cars of merchandise mentioned in the fourth and fifth paragraphs of this letter, entitled to come under the average agreement? We believe they should.

We will appreciate any and all information you can give us in this matter. It seems that Pere Marquette Railroad and the Pennsylvania recently ruled that a general merchandise warehouse similar in its operations to ours was not entitled to come in under the average agreement clause.—J. A. Johnson, Columbian Storage and Transfer Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.

Answer. Yes, you are a public warehouseman. Of course, you do not have to accept every kind of freight offered; certain articles of value, or of any explosive, etc., of detrimental nature to your general business would be subject to refusal. Also, commodities from certain shippers may be declined for certain business reasons, such as credit, etc., but our industry and facilities, in accordance with the decision in the old Munn vs. Illinois case, (94 U.S. 113) are clothed with a public interest and are properly termed public warehousemen.

Warehousemen are also shippers, in accordance with the decision of the Supreme Court in the New York Warehousing case (B. & O. et al. vs. U. S. et al., 59 Supreme Court R. 284), and the Merchants Warehouse case (283 U. S. 501). It is perfectly proper that warehousemen should enter into average demurrage agreements, commonly termed average agreements, with rail

carriers, and this is the usual situation throughout the warehouse industry.

Regardless of how the cars are consigned to ware-housemen, the shipments are made to them as shippers' agents, as consignees, or they ship out as shippers. In substance, warehouses are shippers and receivers of freight and entitled to enter into average agreements, just as any other proper party would be. It is the opinion of Lane Cricher, legal counsel for the American Warehousemen's Assn. at Washington, D. C., that the cars mentioned in paragraphs 4 and 5 of your inquiry are fully entitled to come under the average agreement. He states:

"Not only the form, but the substance of the status of a warehouseman places him as a shipper, a receiver, and as a public warehouseman as well. He is entitled to enter into such average agreements with rail carriers."

Details of N. Y. Case Involving \$50 Clause in Storage Contract

SEVERAL months ago I was trial attorney for a warehouse in a case tried in the Supreme Court in New York. The trial last 3½ days. The jury rendered a unanimous verdict in favor of the warehouse.

The suit was against the warehouse by a depositor for loss of part of the contents of two out of over three hundred packages deposited in the warehouse. claim was made 2 yrs. after the deposit. In the meantime, many packages and articles had been removed by the depositor. The claim included an oil painting by an unknown painter valued at \$12,000. Testimony of experts was necessary to prove the value of the painting. It was claimed only two experts had seen the painting a number of years before the loss; one was dead at the time claim was made and the other resided in Italy. The testimony of a witness residing in another state who was supposed to have heard the deceased expert make an offer for the painting and the expert in Italy was taken by examining them before the trial where they resided. It is often difficult to ascertain the truth this way because the examination is not conducted before a court and there is no opportunity for adequate cross-examination.

The claim was that the warehouse had been careless in leaving the goods of depositor in the corridors of the warehouse and not storing them in certain rooms agreed upon. Photographs were introduced to establish this. The photographs were taken at a time when the depositor had arranged to examine the contents of the packages and they had been put in the corridors and opened partially in preparation for the examination.

The position of the warehouse was a difficult one. It had no way of disproving that the contents of any packages were missing. The warehouse inventory showed the packages but not their contents. They had been packed by the depositor.

The careful manner in which the warehouse was conducted and its records kept were important to it in the case. When plaintiff's claim was made, the warehouse made a list of the remaining contents of the package in which it was stated the painting had been. The size of the painting given showed that it was too large to fit into the carton. Later, the depositor claimed that this was not the right carton and that the painting

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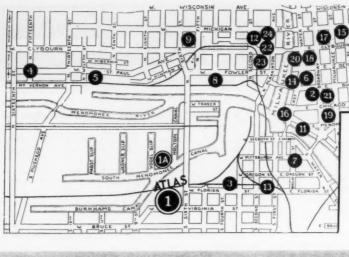
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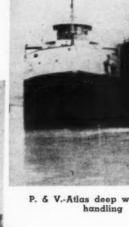
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P. & V.-Atlas deep water cargo

Atlas Storage Company operates its own truck fleet for suburban store-door delivery.

This Milwaukee industrial center offers wide and varied facilities for Midwestern distribution. Its slogan is

WHERE YOUNG INDUSTRIES GET THEIR START

ILWAUKEE has a manufacturing, distribution and warehousing center that is probably not duplicated in any other city in this country. It is partly the outgrowth of the depression, for in some lines of business a depression started in the '203, but gained momentum in this decade.

More than 90 years ago Milwaukee was a very important leather tanning town, and continued so for many years. In 1847 the Pfister & Vogel Leather Company was formed, and grew from a small plant with an output of about 50

hides a day to a production of about 30,000 in 24 hours, with about 3000 employees on the pay roll. Such a plant required many acres of buildings. These structures stand today, with others added to serve the manufacturing and shipping industries in many ways.

With the waning of the tanning business, the Pfister & Vogel management saw the handwriting on the wall and laid its plans to make use of its acres of buildings for other purposes. About 1930 the present P. & V.-Atlas Industrial

Center was born. Today it is a center housing more than 68 manufacturing, distributing and warehousing interests, from the small section of a loft to entire sevenstory structures, with rail, water and truck transportation facilities, probably unequaled in any other business community in this country. Some of the advantages offered by this Center are as follows:

1. Central location for warehousing and distribution, by a giant storage company (Atlas) owned by the P. & V. interests. Several tenants, of national reputation, operate in this Center, providing a substantial saving in distribution cost.

- 2. Ideal location for storage of surplus supplies and inventory by manufacturing concerns. Such concerns as Heinz, Dunlop Tire & Rubber Co., International Harvester Co., sugar and salt companies, a radio distributor, one of Milwaukee's largest department stores, Sears, Roebuck & Co. and others lease sections of buildings in this Center for the storage and distribution of merchandise.
- 3. Convenient location for manufacturing, insuring low overhead, brought about by services offered by this Center, comprising:
 - a-Engineering services;
 - b—Repair and electrical services;
 c—Watchman and sprinkler service:
- d-Alterations in buildings with aid of licensed architect;
- e—Local trucking service and convenient distribution facilities:

These facilities simplify growth of manufacturing establishments by relieving their managements of maintenance and some administrative problems;

4. Office space in the administration building, which includes parking facilities, cafeteria and telephone service.

The administration building mentioned is the Pfister & Vogel office building, a modern structure, in

which the general offices of the Center are housed. In this building, tenants of the Center, not wishing to maintain more than a small office force, can have some of the office detail work taken care of by P. & V. office employees. There is a telephone switchboard, taking care of tenants' needs. For its direct mail campaigns, the tenant can make use of the P. & V. mimeograph service at minimum expense.

Ouick Service

In quick service for the distribution of merchandise the Center shines especially. It is situated on private railway side tracks of the Milwaukee Road. The Atlas Storage Company—owned by P. & V.—with its seven-story terminal building and other facilities, is Milwaukee headquarters for the following nationally known truck lines:

Yellow Truck Lines, (to and from Chicago, Madison, Dubuque, Beaver Dam); Gateway City Transfer Co., (to La Crosse, Minneapolis and the Northwest); Central Wis. Motor Transport Co.; Rockford-Milwaukee Dispatch; Interstate Dispatch, Inc.; Northern Transporation Co. (Northern Wis. and Upper Mich.); Wisconsin Carloading Co.; Interurban Fast Freight Lines; Stodyk Truck Lines; Edgar Schunk Truck Lines; Service Transfer & Storage Co.; Weber Cartage, Inc.; Davis Transportation Co.; Reliable Transit Co.;

K-G Trucking Corp.; Wesley-Steffke Freight Co.; Blair Transfer Co.; Cedarburg Truck Lines; and half a dozen others, with additional lines with private loading docks in this Center.

While this is being written, one of Wisconsin's largest fuel companies, the Fellenz Coal & Dock Company, Milwaukee, is constructing a new dock at the P. & V. Center, consisting of about 200,000 square feet of space, for the storage of coal and coke, realizing that this is one of the best locations for bringing in fuel by boat and rail, and distributing it to Milwaukee and other Wisconsin industries and homes with a minimum of expense for cartage or rail shipment to destination.

One advantage that all of the tenants in the Center appreciate is that they can expand during peak periods and pay only for extra space if and when it is needed. It is not necessary for tenants of these buildings to maintain repair crews, as the Center has specialized repair crews that are subject to call whenever a tenant may need their services. The tenants are connected with trucking, warehousing, telegraphic, power and steam and engineering services by a no-charge automatic telephone system. As a business community, the Center is practically self-sustaining, as printing plants, advertising and photographic concerns, a cafeteria and other facilities are always at the disposal of the tenant.

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Air view of the P. & V.-Atlas industrial center (main section), Milwaukee, Wis.

LET'S HAVE A LOOK AT THE BIG TEN

F. A. KEELING

Traffic Manager The National Colortype Co. Bellevue, Ky.

OW that the authorship of the South Carolina resolution has been established, (see box below) and the fact that the same resolution has been presented to the legislature of Texas, it is beyond my powers of prediction to say which state will be first in obtaining legal recognition for the profession of traffic management. However, this question does not seem to worry Mr. Hill of Texas, or Mr. Manning of South Carolina. They are more interested in the question, which state will be next, then next, until in every state, the profession has received the legal recognition it is entitled to.

In presenting his plan, Mr. Hill offers the following suggestions to those who seek to present the resolution to their state legislature:

"In your state, it is only ned "In your state, it is only necessary for you to get your representative to introduce it in your legislature; then, according to the usual procedure, it is referred to a committee. It is before the committee that you must do your work. We suggest that if your legislature is now in session that you send a copy of the resolution to your representative for introduction; or, if you prefer, change any of the wording. Here is a good point about the plan: If you make a mistake in the resolution you can certainly correct it when the Research Commission makes its final recommendation to the next regular session of your legislature. It's the groundwork. It's a basket in which we can put all our eggs, a focal point to which all of us can bend our energies and our best toward the advancement of our profession. It is fair — equitable — broad — all-encompassing, and brings to a definite climax the years of discussion about what to do in order to obtain the recognition the profession so richly deserves."

That Mr. Hill is eminently qualified to suggest a program for obtaining legal recognition for traffic management, members of the profession in the Lone Star in numerous letters have State made very apparent. Having had years of practical experience, he speaks the language of practical traffic managers and not of a the-The following statement of which he is the author is proof of

his interest in the professional status of traffic management:

"When I think of a profession my mind turns to the BIG TEN, as fol-

- Physicians Dentists Architects Attorneys Pharmacists
- Certified Public Accountants Optometrists
- Engineers Osteopaths Veterinarians

(9) Osteopaths
(10) Veterinarians

"In order to find out how the above BIG TEN established such good educational standards, gained public esteem, maintained professional safeguards and built themselves up to such high ethical standards, I went to the state leaders and sought the desired information. I told them what we wanted to do and asked for advice and counsel as to procedure. Unanimously they answered. They were qualified to answer because they have experienced and been through what we must face and fight in order to gain the same high pinnacle of recognition and respect. Their unanimous decision and advice was to first of all seek legal recognition by the various state legislatures. After giving much time and thought to the proposition I am convinced that the only solution to our problem of professionalization is to do that very thing.

thing.

"Legislation and education are the twin protectors of any profession. A profession is justified by educationit is protected by legislation. The training, skill and education of our group fully justifies a profession. With a Research Commission in each state we can work out any problem in carrying out the work. Regardless of what any one of our group may think or wish to present, he can have a free hand before the Research Commission.

"The plan costs the state nothing."

"The plan costs the state nothing It is not a law. It's an aid for a group who want to better themselves as other professional groups have as other done,"

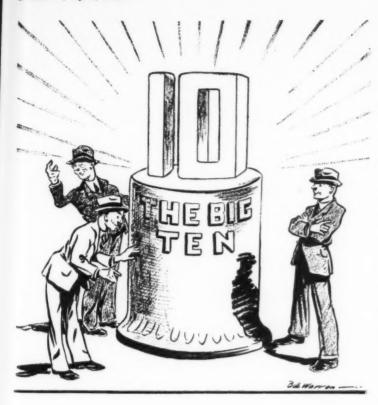
The above program and arguments in favor of legal recognition should cause any traffic manager to change his mind who still believes that a national association should sponsor an Institute, such as the program of 1935 which was presented to a national convention of the Associated Traffic Clubs.

In the article, "Wanted - An American Institute of Traffic Management" which was published in the September issue of DandW, 1 supported the 1935 program of a national Institute and was hopeful that the national association which was supposed to sponsor the program would take such action at its next convention, held at the latter part of the following month.

Author's Note: - "South Carolina Leads the Way" was the title of the article submitted for the February issue of DandW, but seemingly so elated over the news that the Mozingo resolution was sure of acceptance by the present legislature of that state, the writer neglected to mention the fact that a gentleman from Texas was the author of the South Carolina resolution.

To L. D. Hill, the capable and greatly honored instructor in transportation at Texas Christian University of Ft. Worth, I offer my sincerest apologies, especially since he has not taken me to task for this sin of omission.

To H. A. Manning, traffic manager, Sonoco Products Co., Hartsville, S. C., loyal propagandist for state recognition of traffic management, an apology is also due, in that he advised me as to the authorship of the resolution in the early stages of a correspondence that has proved most encouraging when the cause seemed hopeless and the further propagation of a professional status for traffic management a waste of time.-F. A. Keeling.



failure to do so has been commented upon in previous articles.

However, letters from traffic managers and instructors of wellknown schools of traffic management informed me that the 1935 program was putting the "cart before the horse," so I, too, sought the advice of state leaders of the BIG TEN and, as stated by Mr. Hill, they were unanimous in advising state legal recognition.

T. K. Hale, traffic manager of the Texas Electric Service and also editor-in-chief of "The Transporter" published by the Traffic Club of Ft. Worth, presented arguments against sponsorship by a national organization in a most logical manner. His views were given in the open forum of a weekly transportation journal. From a letter, I quote the following:

Proper Procedure

"Perhaps the Institute that is suggested is to be similar to the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, and other technical organizations. If so, my answer is 'No,' as most, if not all, of these bodies were formed by members of professions already recognized by law. Why 'No'? The establishment of such an Institute is putting the cart before the horse. The proper procedure is:

 To obtain legal recognition of the traffic profession, such recognition as is accorded accountants, architects and lawvers.

2. This recognition should be obtained locally by states for two rea-

(a) No national recognition will be accorded until sufficient recognition has been given by individual states to lend weight to a demand for such recognition.

(b) Any national program compr hensive enough to meet local condi-tions in all sections of the country would be unwieldy, to say the least."

In answer to the question, "Should the Associated Traffic Clubs of America sponsor this movement?", although Mr. Hale is editor of a traffic club magazine and a member of the Associated Traffic Clubs of America, his answer is that of hundreds of others: "Traffic managers who have most at stake and who should be most interested are the proper spon-

It has been rumored in certain quarters that someone is seeking to steal the Institute baby. From the foregoing statement as well as other published letters, it should be evident that traffic managers want a baby big enough for the entire profession to sponsor for legal adoption and recognition.

In the March issue of DandW, a program prepared by G. W. Hoel, traffic manager of the Trane Company, La Crosse, Wis., was presented. It was the author's desire

to withhold this plan from publication until a number of traffic managers had opportunity to study the plan and suggest changes, but due to the insistence of traffic managers that the plan be published at an early date so that a larger number of comments and criticisms could be obtained, consent was given. It is therefore the earnest desire of the writer that all traffic managers make known their objections to the plan, in whole or in part, as the comments received will greatly assist in preparing a permanent program to be presented to the various state Research Commissions, as outlined in the Texas resolution.

Surely, the members of the profession who believe in a professional status for traffic management but are not willing to lend a hand in obtaining legal recognition or a higher status for the profession should realize that active traffic managers such as Messrs. Hill, Hoel, Hale, Manning and Morrow, who are actively engaged in propagating professionalization of traffic management, could likewise say "I believe in it, but let George do it." But these gentlemen are of the opinion that believing without works or action is dead. The Traffic Managers' Institute babies have all died from inactivity on the part of the members of the profession in the past. However, reports from numerous states and the general acceptance of the state legal recognition program has caused many to believe that what has been a half-way trade is now in the process of becoming a legally recognized profession.

Is Recognition Merited?

Is traffic management worthy of the recognition accorded the professions listed by Mr. Hill as the BIG TEN? I consider the following resolution one of the best answers that can be given to this question:

question:

"WHEREAS, it has long been known that the rates, rules and regulations applicable to transportation are complicated and require many years of study and experience to properly manipulate and administer; and

"WHEREAS, since years of study and experience are required to become a proficient traffic manager in industrial work for commercial concerns, or an expert in one or more phases for rail, truck, or water carriers, the sentiment prevails that the people engaged in this line of work are fully justified and amply warranted in desiring a professional status and legal recognition; and
"WHEREAS, the membership of Phi Alpha Gamma Upsilon have made and are making efforts to fit themselves to do justice to the profession and would unquestionably be benefited by such recognition; and

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Factories on the MOVE

JOHN MORRELL & CO., Ottumwa, Ia., canned goods and meat packers, is reported arranging for the construction and operation of a soy bean meal processing plant.

Apte Brothers Canning Co., Miami, Fla., plans new branch food processing and canning plant at Glennville, Ga.

Hinde & Dauch Paper Co., 3400 East Biddle St., Baltimore, Md., has leased property at Lenoir, N. C., for new branch plant. Headquarters are at Sandusky,

Chance Vought Aircraft Division has announced removal from East Hartford to Stratford, Conn., within next few months. About 900 men are employed in the Chance Vought division at East Hartford. In Stratford it will occupy jointly with the Sikorsky Aircraft Division, the present Sikorsky factory. The Hamilton standard propellers division in East Hartford will be moved to the vacated Chance Vought plant, and the Pratt & Whitney engine division will be expanded to occupy the present Hamilton standard plant, which adjoins the engine plant.

0 The Resistoflex Corp., of New York City, manufacturer of flexible tubings and couplings, has leased a plant to be built on Federal Avenue, adjoining the Erie R. R., Belleville, N. J. The lease contains an option to purchase the property at any time. Construction of the first three building units will be started immediately. The initial project will occupy 18,000 sq. ft., and 75 persons are scheduled to be employed when the unit is completed on June 1. Two additional similar units are expected to be completed by next December.

Liquid Carbonic Co., Chicago, has announced completion of negotiations for purchase of the assets and business of Wall Chemicals, Inc., with plants in Chicago, Detroit and Buffalo. Terms of the purchase were not stated. The company is a large manufacturer and distributor of soda fountains and carbonic gases and the purchase marks the firm's expansion into the oxygen manufacturing field.

0 William A. Rogers cutlery plant will be moved from Northampton, Mass. to Oneida, N. Y. 0 0 0

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George H. McFadden & Bro., oldest and second largest cotton firm in the world, is moving its headquarters and general offices from Houston, Tex. to Memphis, Tenn., and will be fully established in the new location in time for opening of the cotton season Aug. 1. The company will occupy the building at 100 South Front, jointly with McFadden & Oates and the Tri-State Compress Co., with both of which it is affiliated. The building will be completely remodeled at a cost of about \$50,000. John W. Geary, Jr., member of the firm, has already moved with his family from Houston.

0 American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, has let general contract for new buildings and modernization of existing structures at plant site, Georgetown, S. C., where company recently acquired about 72-acre tract with buildings. New plant will produce sulphate of alumina and allied specialties. Cost over \$400,000 with equipment. Additional units will be built later.

0 Royal Typewriter Co., 2 Park Ave., New York, has let general contract for new three-story and basement plant on Park Ave., Montreal, for Canadian subsidiary. Royal Typewriter Co., Ltd., 731 Bourget St., Montreal for parts production and assembling. Cost close to \$150,000 with equipment.

0 North American Refining Co., Shelby, Mont., approved plans for new oil refinery at Chinnok, Mont. with steel tank storage and distributing facilities, power house, pumping station and other structures. A. H. Dorn, Chinook, secretary, is in charge.

W. F. Hirschman Co., Inc., Jackson Bldg., Buffalo, N. Y., manufacturer of mechanical fans, blowers, ventilators, etc., with plant at Le Roy, N. Y., has purchased two-story building at 259 East 134th St., New York, for new factory branch, storage and distributing plant.

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0 0 Julien P. Friez & Sons, Div. of Bendix Aviation Corp., 4 No. Central Ave., Baltimore, manufacturer of aeronautical and other scientific instruments and parts. has acquired about 18 acres on Joppa Road, Towson. for new plant. Main unit will be one-story, and several smaller structures. When completed, present works will be removed to new location and capacity increased. Cost about \$500,000 with machinery. 0

Farnsworth Television & Radio Corp., 127 East Mermaid Lane, Philadelphia, recently organized to succeed Farnsworth Television, Inc., same address, is concluding negotiation for acquisition of plant of General Household & Utilities Corp., Marion, Ind., manufacturer of radio apparatus, and for business and plant of Capehart, Inc., Fort Wayne, Ind., manufacturer of custom-built radios and talking machines. Both plants will be occupied by purchasing company, which will increase output and install additional equipment for production of television and radio sets and equipment. 0

L. A. Young Spring & Wire Corp., 9200 Russell St., Detroit, has arranged for lease of one-story building for new branch plant at 66th Place and Oak Park Ave., Chicago. Cost close to \$100,000 with equipment.

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Guaranteed Parts Co., Inc., Union Springs, N. Y., manufacturer of automobile parts, has purchased former factory of Fairhouse, Inc., near Seneca Falls, N. Y., and will remodel for branch plant. Main offices are at 250 W. 54th St., New York.

Medford Upholstery, Inc., Mt. Holly, N. J., which was known as the Continental Upholsterers' Furniture Co., prior to its removal from Philadelphia last October, has announced it will reopen its former plant at Chestnut & 2nd Sts., Philadelphia, within the next 2 mos., and re-hire 25 employees thrown out of work when the business moved to New Jersey.

0 0 The U.S. Government has selected as the site for the Eastern territory research laboratory, to be built at a cost of \$1,000,000, the 32-acre Winoga stock farm in Springfield Township, Montgomery Co., Philadelphia area, which was owned by the late E. T. Stotesbury, (Concluded on page 59)

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ALLIED VAN LINES ENLARGES SERVICE SCOPE

Marion W. Niedringhaus, New President and Administrative Head, in Interview Explains How This Ever-Expanding Van Operating Service Is Planning to Widen Its Assistance to Shippers

A STEADILY increasing demand for motor van service in the transportation of household goods shipments has resulted in the development of Allied Van Lines to a point where that nationwide affiliation of storage and moving firms is now handling a gross volume of business larger than any other single van line in the country.

In a short 10 yrs. this phenomenal growth has taken place, since it was in 1929 that Allied Van Lines became incorporated by the National Furniture Warehousemen's Assn., the 20-yr. old trade group made up of household goods warehouse firms.

Keeping pace with its ever-expanding activities, Allied Van Lines, at its tenth annual meeting in Dallas, Texas, early in February, redesignated the duties of its officers and placed considerably more administrative responsibilities on their shoulders than has formerly prevailed.

Marion W. Niedringhaus, president of the General Van & Storage Co., St. Louis, Missouri, was elected to serve Allied Van Lines as president and administrative head of the long distance moving organization. Assisting him will be two members elected to serve as an Executive Committee. are: S. J. Beauchamp, Jr., president of the Terminal Van & Storage Co., Little Rock, Ark., and Oscar Thomase, secretary-treasurer, A-B-C Fireproof Warehouse Co., Kansas City, Mo. Mr. Beauchamp also was elected to the position of secretary of the corporation. These three men are charged with the responsibility of determining Allied policies, and assisting the A. V. L. general manager, Wilson Collin, in arriving at authoritative decisions bearing on timely administrative developments as they OCCUL

"Is this increased responsibility you have assumed, going to be of interest to traffic managers?" Marion Niedringhaus was queried by a DandW reporter shortly after he had assumed his new duties.

"In my opinion, yes. And this is why," the new president of Allied Van Lines explained, "By authorizing our Executive Committee to assume greater initiative in the administrative and policymaking phases of Allied's functioning, our board of directors has materially augmented the facilities of this organization. That, in itself, will reflect to the advantage of both the shipper and Allied.

"There are many services an organization such as ours may pro-



MARION W. NIEDRINGHAUS

vide, other than the competent handling of long distance removals. One of the most important of these is the coordination of the vast purchasing power represented among our agent-members. This is a phase in Allied that has not been fully developed. Since the highly diversified buying requirements of our warehouse and moving group runs into the millions annually, a plan for directing and concentrating the purchasing power of agent-members will be a major point in our public relations program.

"Your readers who are identified with manufacturing plants will be interested to know that we plan to analyze our purchases from industrial concerns. By doing so, we will be in a position to more closely coordinate our purchases with our source of sales.

"In connection with certain plans for supplying our agent-members with selling aids and merchandising material for use in their local contacts, we intend to stress the various ways in which our membership can provide helpful personal services to the shipper.

"For instance, since our agentmembers are all active businessmen in their home communities, closely identified with civic movements, we are encouraging them to be watchful for opportunities to assist Allied customers in becoming better settled in their new communities. This may take the form of so simple a matter as explaining local residential trends, rentals, and preferred neighborhoods in which to seek a suitable new home.

"In our public relations program we are urging our agent-members to take even greater cognizance of opportunities for offering consultation and advice, without obligation, to shippers who find the details of transporting household goods a complex matter. With tariffs, interstate regulations, and insurance coverage cited as but a few of the details requiring attention, you can appreciate how desirable advisory assistance may become.

"There are a number of phases of Allied's operation of which we are very proud and which we shall incorporate in our public relations program that is to be disseminated through our local agent-members. We sincerely believe that the insurance coverage provided our shippers is the most adequate and reliable that can be secured. think our policy of settling claims promptly and satisfactorily has helped us keep many friends among traffic men as well as individual shippers. We know that both traffic men and individual shippers have found invaluable the nationwide warehouse facilities which our agent-members provide. Our rates are equitable since they are governed and prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

"I mention these few points about Allied service by way of partially explaining why our organization has become in so few years the largest long distance household goods moving system in existence today.

"In conclusion, might I say that as president of Allied Van Lines, I like to remember that shippers using our service are securing van transportation of their household goods—plus! Plus the aid at both ends of the haul of experienced warehousemen whose several hundred firms have long been established in their home cities. That, it seems to me, is a set-up well worth special recognition by traffic men."



How the pallet system permits handling and storage of Handling sacked vegetables on pallets permits picking up larger units without wasting valuable space.

Handling sacked vegetables on pallets permits picking up and placing from 48 to 72 bags at a time.

How Straight Gas Electric Towmotors Are

LOWERING GROCERY WAREHOUSING COSTS

Certified Grocers had two aims; increasing capacity of existing warehouse and handling merchandise with less damage and faster. How new machines did it.

The weakness in this method of operation lay in the handling of incoming goods phase. Unloaded from freight car and motor truck, the bags and cases were piled up, then re-piled on the hand lift

trucks. Taken to the warehousing area, stacking was entirely by hand. Obviously, full advantage could not be taken of the full height of the warehouse by hand stacking. And in the second hand-

By HARM WHITE

O IMPROVE efficiency and effect better economy in their Los Angeles plant, Certified Grocers of California had two aims:

1. To increase the capacity of the present warehouse.

2. To handle the merchandise faster, with less damage and at a lower cost per ton.

Merchandise handled in this plant consists primarily of cased grocery goods and 100-lb. bags of sugar. Three methods of handling were used. First, the incoming material was routed almost entirely by hand lift trucks. Second, the outgoing pickups were made with 2 ft. by 4 ft., four-wheel pickup trucks. With these units they collected their outgoing orders and stacked them alongside of four 80-ft. runs of roller conveyors at the shipping dock.

When the motor trucks backed up against the dock, the outgoing merchandise was rolled over the conveyor onto the trucks, which in turn transported the goods to the various stores.

High stacking at Certified Grocers resulted in economy of space.

ling phase, when the material left the plant, it had again to be handled by hand onto the four-wheel trucks.

The answer to solving these inefficiencies was found in the purchase of a straight gas-powered hydraulic Towmotor lift truck. Incoming merchandise is unloaded onto pallets. The fork truck picks up loaded pallets, takes them into the warehouse and stacks them. In fact, the most important operation of the lift truck is in stacking, although transportation to the stacks is a factor that has been improved. In order to stack merchandise higher, a telescopic type of truck was adopted, allowing both low and high stacking. And the truck and pallet system is used to supplement the former method of handling outgoing merchandise to the roller conveyor.

Operating Data

Length of haul in this case was approximately 75 ft. The truck has a lifting capacity of 3,000 lbs. or better, and average weight of load handled at Certified Grocers runs from 2,000 to 2,500 lbs. Merchandise is stacked to an average height of 12 ft. The number of pallets in use has been increased at the rate of about 100 a month. In another 6 or 8 mos., the company anticipates that they will be able to stack practically all mer-

chandise on pallets. By that time about 2,500 pallets will be in use.

The installation is interesting from another viewpoint. It was mentioned above that the average length of haul was 75 ft .- a remarkably short distance, it would ordinarily be considered, for the use of a straight gasoline-powered hydraulic lift truck. Until a few years ago, the prevailing impression regarding this type of unit was that they were designed and built primarily for manufacturing plants where less distance and more ample working space were inherent. The truck is operated in very narrow aisles, some of which are only 5 ft. wide. It also operates in a basement as well as on a second floor. The fire insurance rates have not been increased, because the management has provided for gasoline storage outside the plant. The accompanying photographs show the unit in operation. Fig. 1 shows pallet construction, demonstrating how the forks enter the hollow center of the pallet to completely avoid contact with the merchandise.

Added Safety

The added safety and better vision obtained with center control are also shown. Control levers for lifting the load or tilting the mast forward and backward are at the operator's right hand. This is also

true of the lever for controlling high speed in both forward and reverse.

How high stacking is accomplished at Certified Grocers is also illustrated. Here the operator is just getting ready to release the load in position, lower the mast slightly and back out with empty forks for another trip.

Brokers Use Trucks

Fletcher & Co., brokers for Chilldquic frozen foods, Los Angeles, Cal., have completed arrangements whereby refrigerated trucks will supply the line to a large group of distributors in Southern Cal. E. H. Schroeder is in charge of sales.

Southern Cal. distributors now equipped to serve the retail grocery trade regularly are the following: Armstrong Dairy, Beaumont; Big Bear Creamery, San Bernardino; Excelsior Creamery Co., Santa Ana, Fullerton, Anaheim, Long Beach; Grand View Creamery Co., Corona; Imperial Ice Cream Co., Pasadena; Lyon Creamery Co., Ltd., Riverside; Mountain View Dairies, Inc., Long Beach; Model Creamery, Inc., Redlands; Challenge Cream & Butter Assn., San Bernardino; Ontario-Upland Creamery, Ontario; Bream Ice Cream Co., North Hollywood; Frozenpure Ice Cream Co., Tucson, Ariz.

And Now Rail Tank Cars of Stainless Steel

POR the transportation of bulk chemicals, columbium-bearing stainless steel in the construction of tank cars was recently introduced by the General American Transportation Corp. Approval for the use of this metal was obtained in accordance with the regulations providing that tank cars of new materials may be built only with the specific approval of the Tank Car Committee of the Association of American Railroads and of the Service Division of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Preliminary tests demonstrated that welded columbium-bearing stainless steel would retain its strength and would neither become corroded by chemicals nor contaminate them. The ability of these tank cars to maintain shipments of chemicals iron-free to the extent of one part or less per million is indeed a milestone in the progress of both the metallurgical and chemical industries.

Three 5,000-lb. shell plates, and deep-dished, single-piece heads are used in the construction of these

8,000-gal. stainless steel tanks. The assembled plates and heads are united by four circumferential welded seams and a set of staggered longitudinal seams. This welded construction assures freedom from leakage and provides a smooth interior surface with no overlapping edges or crevices that might give lodgement to contaminating substances. After welding, each tank was heated in a stress-relieving furnace at a temperature

lower than that for annealing in order to relieve any stresses that might have been set up during the welding process. Sandblasting and pickling were employed to remove any particles of free iron on the interior surface.

Before mounting, each completed tank was subjected to a series of physical tests far exceeding those required by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Code for this class of work.



Personnel

Walter G. Kittel is no longer with A. K. Hamilton, sales agent for the Pennsylvania Industrial Alcohol, Inc., and a subsidiary of the Pennsylvania Sugar Co., Philadelphia. His successor is G. K. McLaughlin, Squibbs Bldg., New York City.

V. F. Moran, general traffic manager of Hecker Products, New York, at the time this company was absorbed by Lever Brothers, has assumed traffic duties for the latter company at its Baltimore branch.

M. A. Ries, formerly vice-president and general manager of Honor Brand Frosted Foods Corp., and Manuel Munoz, formerly with R. C. Williams & Co., have formed Ries-Munoz, Inc., to conduct a business as packers, agents and brokers specializing in quick frozen foods. Offices are at 105 Hudson St., New York, and at 9-10 Railway Approach, London Bridge, London, England.

D. W. Bailey, for several years past connected with Peter F. Reilly's Fireproof Warehouses, Brooklyn, N. Y., has resigned that connection to become associated with the Lincoln Warehouse Corp. of New York City. Mr. Bailey is well known in the warehouse industry, having formerly been connected with the Aero-Mayflower Transit Co., and having served as chairman of the Interstate Household Goods Movers Tariff Bureau for the last 2 yrs. He is at present secretary of the New York State Warehousemen's Assn., and will continue to serve in this capacity.

C. A. Welday, former National Bank examiner in the Twelfth Federal Reserve District, now assistant vice-president of the Lawrence Warehouse Co., has gone to Los Angeles to assume new duties in that area. According to A. T. Gibson, president of the Lawrence system, Mr. Welday was transferred from the company's Seattle and Portland office because of the recent rapid expansion of activities in the Los Angeles district. The company, which is one of the largest field warehousing concerns in the United States, operates to create commodity paper against large inventories of raw and finished materials.

J. W. Deininger has been appointed traffic manager of the Gardner-Richardson Co., Middletown, Ohio, due to the death of Thomas Costello, traffic manager.

Norbert J. Beez has been appointed traffic manager of the Jennison-Wright Co., Toledo, Ohio.

E. W. Ford, Baker & Williams, and Charles Milbauer, South 11th St. Warehouse Corp., have become chairmen in their respective cities, New York and Brooklyn, of the trucking and storage groups in the 1939 campaign of the Greater New York Fund to raise funds needed by the health and welfare agencies in the district. David L. Tilly, New York Dock Co., has been appointed vice-chairman of the Brooklyn Division.

At the recent election of officers of the Central Industrial District Assn. of Kansas City, C. C. Daniel, Sr., who had served as president of that association for 7 yrs., was elected honorary president, an outstanding honor and an honor conferred upon few individuals.

Milo W. Bekins has been elected a director of the Citizens National Trust & Savings Bank, Hollywood, Cal. Besides being the head of the Bekins Van & Storage Co., he is a member of the University Club and the Los Angeles and Bel Air Country Clubs. Active in civic affairs, he is a director of the Crescent Bay Council, Boy Scouts of America, member of the Forward Fund Committee, Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce,

and a past president of the Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce, and a director and past president of the National Furniture Warehousemen's Assn.

Charles J. Blanck, treasurer of Blanck's Transfer & Storage Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., has been elected president of the Pennsylvania Furniture & Warehousemen's Assn.

K. K. Meisenbach, owner of American Transfer & Storage Co., Dallas, has just been appointed distributor for Barbarossa beer, which is manufactured in Cincinnati, Ohio, by the Red Top Brewing Co.

Oliver R. Pierce, former western sales manager of Conklin Pen Co., is now general sales manager of Gregory Fount-O-Ink Co., Los Angeles, Cal., succeeding Martin J. Bacon, resigned.

J. N. Black, assistant sales manager, has been promoted to general sales manager of the Parker Pen Co., Janesville, Wis.

Thomas Brusk, divisional manager in charge of import sales for the Schenley Distillers Corp., in the Middle Atlantic region, has been appointed national sales manager in charge of all domestic rums and brandies, Walter R. Greenlee, director of sales and advertising promotion, has announced. Mr. Brusk has been with the Schenley organization since 1934.

Allman Appointed V.P. and Director Public Relations Fruehauf

Leslie C. Allman has been appointed vice-president and director of public relations of Fruehauf Trailer Co., Detroit. Mr. Allman has been with the Fruehauf Co. for 10 yrs., previous to which he was in the advertising agency business. He joined the company as advertising and sales promotion manager, and these departments have been under his direction ever since.

The Fruehauf Co. has also appointed the following:

D. E. Cowdery, manager of the Grand Rapids branch. Mr. Cowdery has had over 20 yrs. experience with truck and trailer companies, and replaces H. L. Mudge who has been promoted to manager of the Cincinnati branch.

Earl Wright, branch manager for Denver. Mr. Wright has had 20 yrs. experience in transportation work with the International Harvester Co. Lewis H. Thomas, former manager of the Denver branch whom Mr. Wright succeeds, has been promoted to sales manager of the tank trailer division at the factory.

F. E. Boylan, regional manager in charge of Saulte Ste. Marie, Saginaw, Grand Rapids and Jackson, Mich., territories.

Adams, Sr., Retires From Union Terml. C. S. Co., New York

T. A. Adams, Jr., president of Union Terminal Cold Storage Co., Inc., New York, N. Y., has announced the retirement of his father, T. A. Adams, Sr., from the active management of the company. Mr. Adams, Sr., was the founder of the company more than 30 yrs. ago, and built it up from a small beginning so that the Union Terminal Cold Storage Co., Inc., together with its subsidiaries, the Manhattan Refrigerating Co. and the Kings County Refrigerating Co., are one of the largest factors in the cold storage and refrigerator business in the United States.

Mr. Adams, Sr., the chairman of the board of directors, addressed a letter to the stockholders of the corporation in Jan., 1939, showing the growth of the company under his leadership, and asking that he be relieved from further activities in the management of the company because of his advanced years and failing health. At the annual meeting of stockholders in

January, all present unanimously granted his request, and not only voted him a resolution of appreciation for his outstanding services to the company, but also to the Warehousemen's Protective Committee, of which he is chairman. As a further mark of appreciation they voted him a retirement pension.

At the meeting of stockholders the following were elected directors: T. A. Adams, Jr., who has been president of the company for 8 yrs.; W. H. Mapes, president of Mapes Consolidated Mfg. Co.; John Q. Adams, vice-president of the company; J. Grougham Wallace, an officer of the Guaranty Trust Co.; R. A. Adams, another one of the founders and a vice-president of the company; Charles G. Witherspoon, chairman of the board of Baker Smith Co., and L. Paul Ahlers, of Carl Ahlers, Inc.

T. A. Adams, Jr., was re-elected president of the company, and L. Paul Ahlers was elected general manager. Mr. Ahlers was graduated from Dartmouth in 1928. For the last several years he has been actively engaged in the commodities market, in which he is well known. He will devote his entire time to his new duties.

In addition to R. A. Adams and J. Q. Adams, who were re-elected vice-presidents, Frank O'Hara, who has been well-known in the butter and egg trade, was also re-elected a vice-president of the company.

G. J. Hansen Confined to Hospital

Since our last issue went to press, we learn with regret that G. J. Hansen, president, Hansen Storage Co., Milwaukee, slipped on the ice and broke his pelvis bone. He will be confined to the Columbia Hospital, in Milwaukee, for at least 9 wks.

Mr. Hansen has long been one of the leading factors in the Wisconsin Warehousemen's Assn., and was president of that group for a number of years.

Ross Re-elected Head of Los Angeles W. A.

At the annual meeting of the Los Angeles Warehousemen's Assn., held at the Terminal Club, Los Angeles, on Feb. 8, Gordon Ross, manager, Overland Terminal Warehouse Co., was reelected president. Other officers reelected were: C. H. Smith, traffic manager. Davies Warehouse Co., vice-president; C. G. Munson secretary and treasurer. Directors reelected, in addition to Messrs. Ross and Smith, were: H. H. Cremeens. manager Los Angeles Warehouse Co.; I. W. Hamilton. vice-president Pacific Commercial Warehouse, Inc., and Rowe Sanderson, secretary and treasurer Metropolitan Warehouse Co.

Charles J. White

CHARLES J. WHITE, retired supt. of the Bailey Warehouses, Delaware Ave. and South St., Philadelphia, and a veteran of the battle of Manila Bay in the Spanish-American war, died Feb. 25, at his home, 2008 Shunk St., Philadelphia. Mr. White retired 6 yrs. ago. For his services as a first-class seaman aboard Admiral Dewey's flagship Olympia, he was awarded a Congressional medal. He was a member of the Fleet Reserve Assn., Branch No. 1, and of the Dewey Congressional Medal Men.

Samuel N. Olsen

S AMUEL N. OLSEN, 68, secretary-treasurer of the H. & O. Cartage Co., Milwaukee, and formerly an officer of the Hansen Storage Co., died Feb. 11 at his home in Milwaukee. A native of Morris, Ill., Mr. Olsen had been a Milwaukee resident for 40 yrs., and

had served 2 terms as president of the Wisconsin Warehousemen's Assn.

Walter J. Northrup

W ALTER J. NORTHRUP, 58, for the last 10 yrs. Inc., Jersey City, N. J., died March 25 at his home in Short Hills, N. J.

A native of Scranton, Pa., he entered the Lackawanna R. R. in the car service department at that city. He was named agent at Pier 13, North River, New York, in 1914, and the following year became agent at New York Transfer, Secaucus, N. J. In 1920 he was advanced to commercial agent at New Haven, Conn., 10 yrs. later being appointed to his last position.

He was a member of the Jersey City Chamber of Commerce and the Port of New York Warehousemen's Assn. Surviving are his widow and a daughter.

Frank A. Horne

FRANK ALEXANDER HORNE, president of the Merchants Refrigerating Co., New York City, died March 22, after confinement due to illness since last December. Mr. Horne, 70 yrs. old, has been president of the Merchants company since 1911. He was also vice-president of the East River Savings Bank, chairman of its bond committee and had been a trustee since 1917.

During the world war he was associated with the United States Food Administration, under Herbert Hoover, as chief of the cold storage division.



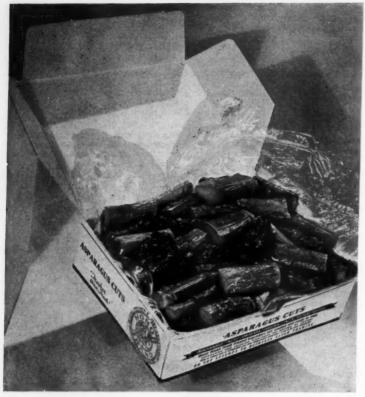
FRANK A. HORNE

Mr. Horne was considered one of the country's leading Methodist Episcopal laymen and was an advocate of inter-denominationalism.

He was born in Brooklyn, the son of the late Alexander and Ann Eliza Nash Horne. After graduation from high school, he joined the refrigeration concern as a junior clerk, from which post he worked his way up. From 1921 to 1922, he was chairman of the United States Appraisal Commission for Washington Market.

He was a trustee of Drew University, Madison, N. J., and Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa. He held an honorary degree of Doctor of Commercial Science from Boston University. He was a member of the American Society of Refrigerating Engineers and the Institute du Froid, Paris, and past president of the American Institute of Refrigeration.

Mr. Horne is survived by his widow, the former Daisalie S. Place, of Brooklyn, whom he married in 1913.



Asparagus cuts as packed by Honor Brand.

Sixth and final article of a series dealing with

STORY OF QUICK FREEZING

Ву

DR. JACQUES C. MAGUITE

Marketing and Distribution Problems

OUND marketing methods are one of the most necessary and essential measures in the distribution of quick frozen products.

The masses are not very familiar with the fundamental principles of quick-freezing even now, and for the most part are skeptical of the offers of retailers, who sometimes sell frosted foods, as quick-frozen, whereas, as a matter of fact, these products are the result of the slow freezing processes. This is a problem for some of the investors of large amounts in the development and distribution of quick freezing.

M. A. Corbett, the secretary of the National Distributors Assn., New York group, states:

"No one questions any more the superiority of quick-freezing as a practical method of preserving food, because consumers have found out that foods that are properly graded and quick-frozen are actually better than fresh. More and more housewives are learning that what seems to be a higher and luxury price on frosted foods in reality means that the price paid is for a higher concentration of clean, ready-to-cook produce. Speed and ease of preparation for the table, bringing a new leisure to

women in all walks of life, also accounts for the popularity of frozen foods.

"The industry has reached a point in its development where packers may now look forward to an increasingly receptive consumer market. But to take advantage of this opportunity, producers must consider, realistically, marketing conditions. The negative elements in merchandising policies, if ignored, will adversely affect the entire industry.

A Weak Foundation

"This situation, with its dangerous implications, is particularly applicable to distributors who have gone into the marketing of frosted foods during the past 2 yrs. The too enthusiastic manner in which producers and brand-owning distributors regarded the sudden upward curve in sales to wholesalers last year created a weak foundation for building a sound market.

"Competition of the right sort is the one thing the industry needs most to give quick-freezing a solid footing in the food industry. Competition will take frosted foods out of the luxury category in which many women still regard them. It will develop brand advertising with consequent added consumer in-

terest. Competition will force quality standards which no packer can ignore for long. It will bring expert marketing organizations into the business to take over quality packers who lack merchandising knowledge and facilities.

"But the frosted industry, in its efforts to inspire distributors' sales volume without at the same time considering basic distribution defects, has created serious trade problems that need to be adjusted. The present lack of mutual cooperation among producing and distributing groups preclude their seeing these problems clearly. One of the greatest handicaps to their solution is the wide difference of viewpoint among them: moreover, packer, wholesaler and retailer must be brought into closer physical relationship. Wholesalers question the economic wisdom of dealing through intermediary distributors. If the business is to enjoy uninterrupted expansion it is imperative that both groups seek some means of arresting the conditions which threaten recent gains.

"While there are many firms engaged in production, for the most part they have very little to do with the actual marketing of their products. This function is largely taken out of the packer's hands by distributors who own the various labels or brands under which frosted foods are sold. These distributors in turn sell their brands to

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Quick-frozen pineapple rings in attractive containers

other distributors or wholesalers who are actually the first contact the retail dealer has with the frosted foods business. Everything the dealer is told about the business comes to him second or third hand.

"A prolongation of uneconomic trade practices has caused such lack of confidence among wholesalers as to discourage their continuance as important 'links' between packer and ultimate consumer. Yet these are the very 'links' the industry must encourage if it is to consolidate its gains on the present distribution front, to say nothing of expansion beyond existing frontiers.

"Quick - freezing, like canning, must be learned, and learning takes time. Failure of canners to realize their responsibility to pack top quality will bring chaos in distribution and resultant disrepute for frosted food in consumers' minds. The industry's salvation from this threat lies in cooperatively educating consumers to expect and demand only the highest quality when purchasing frosted foods, so that products that do not measure up will not drag the industry down with them.

"Retailers have raised the question of limiting products to items regarded by consumers as staples. They have had sufficient experience to know that the wide range of seldom-used products that distributors have saddled on them tends to reduce operating profit on items for which they have developed demand. Such experimenting at the dealers' expense also wastes valuable, limited cabinet space and results in a drag on the sales of staple frozen items.

"The gradual introduction of new foods which consumers have little knowledge of may be justifiably contemplated as housewives in all brackets adopt frosted foods. Meanwhile, it is an imposition to ask wholesalers and retailers to carry cash inventories of such experimental products—no matter how anxious distributors are to convert their own frozen inventories of such products into cash.

"To economically reach and impress the big middle class market, which has hardly been scratched, there are needed from 75,000 to 100,000 outlets. Today there are less than 5000 retailers in the coun-

try who are equipped to handle frosted foods. Reasonable production forecasts, essential to economical, stabilized production and pricing schedules, are today hazards at best, due to inability of packers to know the probable extent of their market.

Cabinet Sales

"Some distributors have been influencing factors in cabinet sales to retailers, regarding this activity as one that holds promise of profit over and above profits made on frosted foods. They take the view that equipment manufacturers who cooperate with them in obtaining new outlets are under obligation to pay them a commission on all sales made in connection with the brand they distribute. Cabinet manufacturers, on the other hand, feel that they can best assist in the growth of distribution by training their own sales organizations to sell and push the various brands seeking outlets. They feel that the placing of experienced sales personnel at the disposal of the distributors, participation in local food shows, trade paper advertising and other forms of dealer promotion, is com-pensation enough for the 'privilege' of promoting the distributors' busi-

"Storage cabinets which dealers have rented or purchased are but makeshifts converted from the ice cream industry where storage at low temperature is the main requirement. To succeed with frosted foods, retailers need more than mere storage and pretty pictures. Whether distributors agree or not,

the fact remains that frosted foods are directly competitive with fresh and canned foods. Fifteen cents from the housewife's dollar going to purchase a can of corn or a pound of peas is to that extent competitive with frosted foods, since the industry's objective is to convert consumers to the buying of such foods in a quick frozen state.

"The problem of finding a practical way to incorporate frosted foods in stronger competition with staple, fresh perishables, is now in a fair way of being met through engineering advances. This development will go a long way toward associating frosted foods in consumers' minds with staple produce. Visibly displayed, in direct competition with fresh merchandise will place shoppers under the influence of frosted foods, while developing the subtle suggestion that the products enjoy the same sale as standard produce—an important advantage in customer psychology.

"Packers who are so desperately attempting indiscriminate retail distribution of their products through the comparatively few products existing outlets must realize that consumers are going to become brand conscious in connection with frosted foods. Impressive distribu-tion of individual brands over a wide area cannot be either effected or sustained without a promotional program that will sell the product to that hypotenuse of the eternal triangle-the ultimate consumer. Wholesalers and retailers will attracted to, and will push those brands whose owners do have such programs. As cabinet installa-tions, free of brand restrictions, become more general, some packers will operate through their own distributing systems. Others will sell through wholesalers employing wa-Still others gon-jobbing methods. will pack private brands for wholesalers and voluntary groups at-tempting to compete with nationally or sectionally advertised products. Chains will stock the brands that local conditions seem to warrant, though they will certainly develop brands of their own.

"The institutional end of the business, as well as some part of the household field, will probably be localized as packing operations are set up in every section of the

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Fruit juices vacuum cold packed now on the market



IN THE Cold Storage FIELD

Large Part of Frozen Foods Produced by Co-Ops

According to J. A. Forehand, secretary of the Washington Packers, Inc., Sumner, Wash., 11 farmer cooperative organizations produce 12.4 per cent of the nation's total production of quick-frozen fruits and vegetables.

The 11 cooperatives that produced 28,000,000 lbs. of quick-frozen fruits and vegetables in 1937, are as follows: Apple Growers' Assn., Hood River, Ore., 290,000 lbs.; California Fruit Growers' Exchange, Ontario, Cal., orange juice 586,098, lemon juice 186,867; Farm Bureau Fruit Products Co., Lansing, Mich., 1,300,000; Fruit Growers' Cooperative, Sturgeon Bay, Wis., 2,000,000; Gresham Berry Growers, Inc., Gresham, Ore., 5,400,000; South Haven Fruit Exchange, South Haven, Mich., 540,000; Springbrook Packing Co., Cooperative, Springbrook, Ore., 240,800; Stayton Canning Co., Cooperative, Stayton, Ore., 500,000; Washington Canners' Cooperative, Vancouver, Wash., 1,500,000; Washington Packers, Inc., Sumner, Wash., 9,750,000, and Cherry Growers Packing Co., Traverse City, Mich., 6,000,000 lbs.

Hershey Marks Extensive Growth at Seattle

Seven years of steady progress in the frozen foods field is being reviewed this year by officers of the Hershey Packing Corp. at Seattle, Wash., handling vegetables and berries. From the first carload shipment of Hershey there has grown in the pea-processing field alone an industry of more than 10,000,000 lbs.

Frozen Food Men Want More Promotional Work

At the recent meeting of the frozen foods industry in Chicago, Fred Scott, chairman of the National Food Distributors Assn. which called the meeting, said, "We must form an organization that will furnish a platform for our industry to get together to promote frozen foods but our promotion must have a backing-up of quality. There is a law in Michigan, Pennsylvania and several other states requiring the frozen foods industry to mark our products 'cold storage.' These laws are not being enforced but can be. It is up to us to organize to get the various state legislatures to enforce only that legislation which is favorable to our industry."

It was brought out at the meeting that a great promotional campaign sponsored by the entire frozen food industry was necessary if it expected to continue to grow and take a leading place in the food field. First of this promotional work will be seen at the San Francisco Golden Gate Exposition next summer, when an extensive exhibit of frozen foods will be on display.

It was also reported that packers have been rather lax as far as frozen fruits and vegetables are concerned, packing mostly the surplus that had accumulated after the other markets had been glutted in many instances. Consequently demand has been reduced by the often tasteless products that have been marketed. It was also stated that frozen fruits and vegetables can be marketed only at a time when fresh supplies are not available. To hold that market, it will be necessary for the packers to give the top in quality and pack.

Fish are the only frozen food products achieving any great popularity now. The packers have had good

sales of frozen peas and Lima beans but have had some difficulty with the quality packed. Berries have sold well when out of season.

Birds Eye Enters Wyoming

Frozen pack foods have made their first appearance in Wyoming at the Casper Commissary, Casper, Wyo., to retail Birds Eye frosted foods. A 24-ft. display case has been installed, and the store will handle a complete line of frozen vegetables, fruits, meats, fish and poultry products.

Cooperative and Gresham Berry Growers Unite

At a special meeting at Gresham, Ore., attended by approximately 400 berry growers, or about one-half the membership of the two overlapping organizations, the Cooperative Berry Growers, composed of producers and the Gresham Berry Growers, Inc., marketing agency for the Co-op, were united into one association, the Gresham Berry Growers, according to F. J. Becker, secretary. The reorganization was unanimously recommended by the 30 directors.

A new form of marketing contract is another provision of the reorganization. A new 3-yr, term is provided, after which, on the anniversary of each contract the grower or the association may terminate the contract upon written notice within 30 days prior to the anniversary. In event such notice is not received, the contract will be in force another year. The association has operated under a 6-yr. contract, renewable at termination.

Robert D. Mickey, C. T. Ryan and J. J. Fisher were elected trustees in transfer for the new association Otherwise there were no changes in personnel.

Wyoming Freezer Operates

Wint Sensabaugh, Riverton, Wyo., largest grower of raspberries in Wyoming, has established the State's first processing plant for quick-frozen foods. In addition to a quick-freezing vault which maintains a temperature of 30 deg. below zero, he has established a storage plant to hold his products for release as the market demands. The only food he is processing is raspberries.

Montreal Refrigeration Shows \$30,530 Net Profit

Report of Montreal Refrigerating & Storage, Ltd., Montreal, and wholly owned subsidiaries, for the year ended Dec. 31, 1938, shows net profit of \$30,530 after interest, depreciation and provision for income taxes, equal to \$1.61 a share, no par, on 18,863 shares of \$3.00 cumulative preferred stock in arrears of dividends as at March 1, last, total of \$7.25 a share.

This compares with net profit of \$31,976, equal to \$1.70 a preferred share in the preceding period.

Current assets were \$174,831, and current liabilities \$21,525, compared with current assets of \$178,747 and current liabilities of \$25,485 as at Dec. 31, 1937. Balance sheet shows \$27,000 principal amount of first mortgage 6 per cent bonds reacquired during the year, leav-

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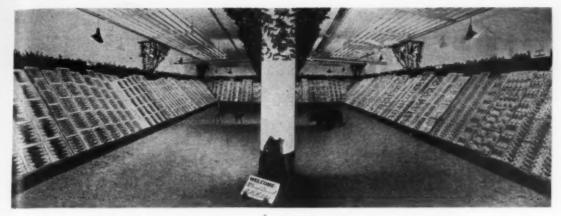
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View of Dressed Poultry Display at the Fulton Market Cold Storage Co., Chicago

Chicago Cold Storage Group Holds Third Annual Dressed Poultry Show

HE Third Annual Dressed Poultry Show, sponsored by the Chicago Association of Refrigerated Warehouses and the Chicago Poultry Board, was held on Tuesday, Jan. 19, with exhibits at six of Chicago's cold storage houses. This annual show—one of the finest exhibits of dressed poultry ever displayed to the trade—attracted visitors from all parts of the United States, the attendance having been variably estimated as between 300 and 500 members of the industry.

The finished and workman-like displays showed that much careful planning had been done to make the show attractive and a success. Those participating in the exhibit were:

Central Cold Storage Co., featuring the theme of "Cold" in its decorations with artificial snow on the floor to blend with the freezing units and the temperatures of the room. Green was the color stressed and this with the boxed poultry produced a pleasing effect.

Monarch Refrigerating Co., with red and blue decorations to set off the exhibit, the white of the poultry and wrappings completing the patriotic theme. Special entertainment was provided for the visitors while they were in the exhibition room.

North American Cold Storage Co., in pink and purple, with winecolored ribbon dividers for the boxes to emphasize the flesh-colored poultry. The columns were green, the labeling cards were black with silver lettering, and ferns decorated the boxes of poultry. Six firms cooperated to present one of the finest exhibits ever

Fulton Market Cold Storage Co., where a gigantic rooster, nearly six feet high, greeted the visitors and walked gaily about outside the exhibition room, crowing from time to time and constantly opening his beak in comical yawning fashion. Here green predominated with each box of poultry set off by center fillings of brightly colored shredded cellophane.

Produce Terminal Cold Storage Co., where royal purple held sway, and this stately theme amplified by silver and gold trimmings extending around the room. There also was a display showing the growth from a baby chick to maturity. The chicks were of cotton, then followed a display of frozen broilers, fryers and roasters, a fowl and a turkey.

Chicago Cold Storage Warehouse Co., resplendent in a setting of balsam trees with gladiolas blossoming on the twigs. This rich green with a touch of red foliage interspersed here and there, made a good setting for the boxes of poultry exhibited.

One of the features of the show was the rapidity and ease with which the large number of visitors were moved from one exhibit to the next. Three double-decked buses were used for transporting the visitors on the tour, carrying them from one exhibit to the other according to a prearranged plan. At noon a Dutch lunch was served at

the Fulton Market Cold Storage Company's plant in the newly completed, glistening white, egg-breaking plant of E. Somerman & Sons. The lunch consisted of sandwiches, cheese, potato salad, cole slaw, olives, pickles, apple pie, coffee and beer.

After luncheon two more exhibits were viewed and the exciting day closed with a banquet at Hotel Sherman.

Act of God

THE expression "act of God" has been employed in various and broad senses by the higher courts, such as an "extraordinary convulsion of nature or a direct visitation of the elements," or an "accident produced by physical causes which are irresistible," and other such expressions of like nature.

In Louisville and N. R. Co. v Finlay et al., 185 So. 904, Alabama, the legal question arose: When is a flood, which destroys merchandise, an act of God which relieves common carriers from liability?

In this case a railway company refused to pay for damaged merchandise and proved that no flood had occurred for 65 yrs. equal to the one which destroyed the goods. In holding the company not liable, the court said:

"The question is, what notice or knowledge had the defendant (company) from which such an overflow could reasonably have been anticipated or foreseen? The rule of exemption from liability, if the loss is the result of an 'act of God,' is founded upon reason and justice that one should not be held responsible for that which could not have been reasonably anticipated."

.. THE PARADE OF New Product

REFINED SYRUPS & SUGARS, INC., 120 Wall St., New York, affiliated with Suchar Process Corp., same address, has approved plans for expansion and improvements in mill at Yonkers, N. Y., formerly property of Spreckels Sugar Corp. Cost about \$100,000 with equipment.

0 Holly Sugar Corp., Dyer Station, Santa Ana, Cal., has plans for one-story addition to beet sugar mill, for expansion in bulk raw material dumping plant. Cost about \$80,000, of which nearly one-half will be expended for mechanical equipment. Main offices of company are at Colorado Springs, Colo.

Morristown Sulphite Mill, Morristown, St. Lawrence County, N. Y., manufacturer of sulphite pulp and paper products, is considering one-story addition. Cost over \$50,000 with equipment.

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Park & Tilford Distillers, Inc., 548 W. 44th St., New York, plans extensions in whiskey distillery at Louisville, formerly plant of Bonnie Brothers Distilling Co., for new mechanical bottling division.

0 Quality Beverage Co., 1319 Continental St., Houston, Tex., has leased one-story building at 1015 Sampson St., Houston. It will be used for mechanical bottling. storage and distribution.

H. J. Heinz Co., 1062 Progress St., Northside, Pittsburgh, food canner and packer, plans one-story addition to branch plant at Leamington, Ont., and improvement in present factory units.

Canada Dry Bottling Co., New Orleans, has asked bids on general contract for one-story mechanical bottling works. Cost close to \$50,000 with equipment. 0

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Coca-Cola Bottling Co., Humboldt, Iowa, has let general contract for one-story addition to mechanical bottling, storage and distributing plant. 0

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American Porcelain Enamel Co., Muskegon, Mich., recently organized with capital of \$100,000, has work under way on new plant for production of enamel frit, particularly for sheet steel enameling service.

0 Coca-Cola Co., 963 E. 4th St., Los Angeles, Cal., has asked bids for three-story and basement addition to general manufacturing plant, including modernizing and improving an existing three-story and basement building at 934 E. 4th St. Cost over \$175,000 with equipment.

Kellogg Co., Battle Creek, Mich., manufacturer of cereals, has approved plans for one-story factory branch, storage and distributing plant at Memphis, Tenn., totaling about 12,000 sq. ft. of floorspace. New unit will be operated in name of Kellogg Sales Co., an affiliated interest.

Joyce 7-Up, Inc., 12 Webster St., Joliet, Ill., will ask bids soon on general contract for one and two-story

mechanical bottling and beverage plant near Joliet; also for similar one and three-story branch bottling works at 31st and Ashland Sts., Chicago. Cost about \$200,000 with equipment.

Monsanto Chemical Co., Chemical Lane, Everett, Mass., plans two-story and basement addition. Cost over \$50,000 with equipment. Main offices are at St.

Gaylord Container Corp., 2820 S. 11th St., St. Louis, Mo., manufacturer of fibre and corrugated board boxes and containers, has leased five buildings at Second and Dorcas Sts., totaling close to 100,000 sq.ft. floorspace. and will modernize for new plant. Cost over \$85,000 with equipment.

H. J. Heinz Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., has announced a new product, Junior Food, created for children from 1 to 6 yrs. of age, and supplementing the Heinz baby food line. A heavy newspaper schedule will be used at the outset, together with direct mail and local sampling and point-of-purchase displays. Later magazines will be added. The line consists of 12 different items, packaged in dated cans. Tests have already been conducted in Washington, D. C., Baltimore and Los Angeles. Maxon, Inc., Detroit, is the agency.

0 Amoskeag Fabrics, Inc., Manchester, N. H., recently reorganized with capital of \$100,000, is completing installation of equipment in former Jefferson mill unit of Amoskeag Mfg. Co., and will soon begin production of spun rayon fabrics. Mill totals 342,000 sq.ft. of floorspace.

Schenley Distillers Corp., has completed and is now operating the San Luis Brandy Co., Manteca, Cal. The new distillery has a storage capacity of 1,250,000 gals., and has fermentation tanks holding 825,000 gals. Annual production is expected to total 10,000 bbls.

0 0 0 Pure Food Factory, Mamaroneck, N. Y., manufacturer of bouillon cubes, has appointed Sherman K. Ellis & Co., New York, to handle its advertising. 0

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Vitex Laboratories, Inc., Harrison, N. J., in order to coordinate all activities of its vitamin branch, has formed an advertising and sales promotion department. Frank Fader, former wholesale division sales manager, heads the new department, and Ray Ewing assumes his duties as sales manager of the agricultural department. Ray Peasback, formerly advertising manager of Vitex, has taken over representation of Vitex in New York and New England.

0 0 Canada Dry Bottling Co., Charlotte, N. C., recently organized with capital of \$150,000, has leased building at 1410 West Morehead St., and will improve for new mechanical-bottling plant. Cost about \$50,000. Russell McKay is general manager.

Grocers' Baking Co., 1455 So. 7th St., Louisville, Ky., will take bids soon on revised plans for one-story baking plant at West 6th and Jefferson Sts., Lexington, Ky., with traveling ovens, conveyors and other mechanical-handling equipment. Cost about \$55,000.

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FROM THE Capital

Interstate Trade Barriers Conference April 5

THE Bureau of Agricultural Economics was informed today that a National Conference on Interstate Trade Barriers has been called by the Council of State Governments, to be held at Chicago, April 5, 6 and 7, in an effort to halt the erection of "tariff barriers among the several States," which hold up truck shipments at border lines.

The Council is composed of State Governors, Commissioners and Legis'ators who resolved in a General Assembly at Washington in January that "interstate trade barriers, under whatever guise, are detrimental to the economic welfare of the country. Forty-six of the 48 states were represented at the assembly.

Officials of the Bureau af Agricultural Economics quoted a letter from Frank Bane, Executive Director of the Council, that committees dealing with various phases of the barriers problem have been established by the Council, and inviting Dr. F. V. Waugh in immediate charge of the bureau's investigations of trade barriers to serve as a member of the Committee on Agriculture.

Bane reported that "scores of additional bills extending these trade barriers, are pending in many of the 42 State Legislatures now in session." He added "all agree that this movement, if not halted, will undermine one of the basic principles set forth in the Constitution, a principle upon which our prosperity and well-being largely depends."

The letter stated that "the Governors' Conference, in session at Oklahoma City last September, concerned about this situation, authorized its Chairman to announce that the group unanimously opposed the principle of State trade barriers and were of the opinion that such barriers between the States should be removed." The General Assembly at Washington, Bane said, "recommended complete adherence to the traditional American policy of free trade among the states. The Assembly further resolved that the secretariat of the Council of state governments should study legislation and policies which tend to create such barriers and to restrict the free

flow of commerce and should call, at the earliest practical time, an interstate conference on this subject."

The National Conference to be held in Chicago is in pursuance of this resolution. A special report, "Barriers to Internal Trade in Farm Products," prepared by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics was submitted to Secretary Wallace March 7.

The report gives in detail the results of the Bureau's investigations of barriers affecting dairy products, margarine, alcoholic beverages, fruits, vegetables and other farm crops through the imposition of State taxes, licensing and bonding regulations, inspection limitations, quarantine restrictions, and other regulations.

It shows that practically every state has erected trade barriers of one kind or another interfering with free trade between the States. Bureau officials declared today that these restrictions "add hundreds of millions of dollars to the annual food bill of consumers and make it increasingly difficult, if not impossible, for persons in the lower income brackets to obtain necessary foods." They are a distinct limitation upon the expansion of agricultural production for domestic consumption, it was stated.

Doctor Waugh declared today that although it is a statistical impracticability to estimate the exact dollars and cents effect of these trade barriers, "the result in raising prices and reducing the consumption of farm products must be obvious." He cited, for example, the inspection restrictions that municipalities put upon milk, cream and other dairy products.

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"These restrictions limit the supply of milk." he declared, "raise prices, and make it impossible for many families in the low income brackets to buy milk. The municipalities set up virtually an economic autonomy which debars thousands of dairymen and other farmers from marketing an indispensable food.

"These thousands of dairymen are virtually in a 'no man's land' outside the territorial confines of the so-called 'milk sheds'," he said. "The correcting of this situation, by the adoption of a standard milk ordinance, would make milk and other dairy products available at lower prices, increase the general health, and permit expansion of the dairy industry."

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Doctor Waugh said he believed that similar results would be achieved through Federal and State cooperation in removing the barriers against other farm products, "all of which are caught in a maze

of hampering motor-truck transportation laws and regulations."

Bureau officials reported the cooperation of State commissioners and secretaries of agriculture in attacking the increasing problem of trade barriers. At the 21st Annual Meeting of the National Association of Commissioners, Secretaries and Directors of Agriculture, held at Miami, Fla., Nov. 14, 15 and 16, resolutions of protest were adopted.

South Wins Important Support on Rates

SHIPPERS in southern states who are backing carriers in the demand for elimination of existing north-south rate differentials have won important support in the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

Assisted by Examiner Michael Corcoran, Commissioner William E. Lee has prepared a recommendation for general realignment of existing charges with a view to greater uniformity.

The report sent to the Commission says in part:

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"The maintenance on articles of rates reflecting territorial differences in rate levels, thereby creating rate walls along the borders of rate territories, tends to prevent a nationwide development of industry and is not conductive to the promotion of the best interests of either the carriers as a whole or the country as a whole.

"The prosperity of the carriers depends, not alone on the development of the territories which they individually serve, but also on the welfare of other producing and consuming sections of the country in the movement of the traffic of which they participate."

Discussing the action which the I. C. C. should take, the report observed that "in view of the rather extensive revision which the findings require, it sems desirable from a practical standpoint that in the first instance the parties should attempt to agree upon the specific bases which are to be established, with subsequent reference to the Commission of any details upon which agreement cannot be reached. The findings are, therefore, general in character. No order should be entered in the first instance.'

The I. C. C. therefore should find, according to the report:

1. That the rates assailed on stoves, stone, cast-iron pipe fittings, cast-iron service boxes, iron body valves, and soapstone and talc are, and for the future will be, unreasonable to the extent they are upon levels higher than at present in

effect on like articles within the North.

2. That the rates assailed on stoves, stone, plumbers' goods, castiron pipe fittings, cast-iron service boxes, iron body valves, fire hydrants, brass pipe fittings, brass cocks and valves, soapstone and talc, excelsior, tapestries, china-ware, from producing points in the South with respect to which testimony of commercial competition in the North was presented, are, and for the future will be, unduly prejudicial to such southern producing points, and to the producers there located and to their traffic, and unduly preferential of northern producers and their traffic, to the extent such rates are upon levels higher than at present in effect on like articles within the North.

Lea Bill Beset by Opposition

PREVIEW of the reception which will greet the Lea Bill in what now seems to be the unlikely event that it will reach the House, was gleaned when Representative Francis D. Culkin took the floor March 1 to deliver a broadside of opposition which included such predictions as this:

"The Lea Bill proposes legislation which will destroy waterways and trucks and, in the long run, the very railroads themselves."

The New York State republican unloosed his attack while the Senate Committee continued to plod along with none of the suspicions earlier expressed by transportation media dissipated.

Exorbitant freight rates are choking back economic recovery, preventing removal of surpluses to markets where demand exists, Culkin charges. He disputed reports of inadequate rail earnings, submitting figures to indicate that a fair return has been realized if actual asset values are used as the basis of computation. Continuing, he declared:

"I want the House to note that the net income of the railroads for the year 1936 was \$673,160,477. Based upon the appraised value of the properties, and not upon the face value of their bonds nor the par value of their stocks, the railroads yielded a net return during that year of 3.1 per cent. What industry did better than that during that year? Did agriculture in that year had its back to the wall. facing inevitable bankruptcy.

"Did business do better? Bank deposits paid but 2 per cent. In comparison with this rate of return, the steel industry lagged. The fact is that commerce and industry generally during that depression year of 1936 showed no such earnings.

"The House should remember that the railroads do not pay dividends upon the book value of their property, nor do they pay dividends upon the market value of their stocks. The fact is that the railroads pay interest only upon the face value of their property, nor do they pay dividends upon the market value of their stocks. The fact is that the railroads pay interest only upon the face value of their bonds and

dividends upon the par value of their stocks, no more and no less, and hence the percentage yield of their income should be calculated upon that basis."

Pleading for protection of waterway shipping, Culkin argued:

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"Vast savings are made by water transportation, all of which is reflected back to the public. I wish to tite several instances of these savings. In the field of gasoline, now an essential commodity in American life, it has been authoritatively stated, and has never been denied, that except for the intervention of waterways and pipelines, the American people would be paying 38 cents a gallon for gas at the pump. They are now paying about 18 cents a gallon. I have computed these savings in this particular commodity, based upon the national consumption of gasoline. The results show that the savings to the consumer on gasoline alone amount to consumption of gasoline. The results show that the savings to the consumer on gasoline alone amount to more than \$4,000,000,000 annually. Great savings are now made on other bulk commodities, including coal and other necessities, and passed on to the public. Assuming the Lea bill is passed, the I. C. c. will if it runs true to form, regard it as a mandate to increase the cost of gas per gallon to the public to 38 cents to the end that the railroads may make a killing. "Let me say that I make no war on the railroads. I am willing to give them their place in the sun, but their place in the sun will not be gained by the destruction of waterways and other types of transportation, with resulting distress to the farmer and the consumer. They should put their financial house in order, cut themselves loose from the banker management, and, if need be, buttress their temporary crisis with the additional loans from the R. F. C. They already know that trail. In any event, the railroads should take 'potluck' with industry and agriculture.

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"This proposed legislation has for its avowed and unholy purposes the destruction of water and truck transportation so that the railroads may again have a monopoly. This procedure would maroon large sections of the country by reason of greatly increased cost of transportation to the farmer and consuming public. I am speaking for the economic freedom of the people of America when I urge the House to defeat the Lea bill if it comes to the floor."

Warns of Possible Rate Increases

WARNING that greater regulation of any transportation medium would fail to solve the nation's transportation problem, and eventually would result in shippers paying higher rates, was set forth last month against the background of "railroad relief" legislation now pending in Congress.

There is enough business under normal conditions for all competitive methods of transportation, declared Chester H. Gray, director, National Highway Users Conference, Washington, so long as they operate on the basis of their individual costs and services, and so long as a common level of rate is not artificially imposed on them by federal or state laws and regula-

"The agricultural live stock, industrial and labor interests of the country should rejoice that we now have five methods of transportation, rather than one as in earlier years," Mr. Gray declared in an address delivered at the recent annual convention of the American National Live Stock Assn., in San Francisco.

"There is something at issue between and among all the methods of transportation which we have in the United States," Mr. Gray asserted. "The question of competition is the issue; the question of what's to become of the fellow who 'pays the freight' is the issue. It is not a question of equalizing transportation opportunities between two methods of transport; it is not a problem of 'coordination' or transportation as was preached from Washington and elsewhere several years ago; it is not a proposition of having to do with imposing on each and every method of transportation the same quantity and quality of regulation.

"The question is, primarily, shall the citizen-shipper, the general public-the consumer, if you willpay the high cost of a monopolized and over-regulated transportation; or shall the average citizen have the benefit of lower rates and better services which he can expect only if competition is maintained

in transportation.

"The present transportation problem in the United States is not a quarrel between two or more transportation facilities. Some would like to have it appear that waterways or highways are in a life and death struggle with the rails; or, that airways for passengers, and pipe lines for petroleum, are destined to take all such business away from other methods of transportation. Some would like to have it appear, too, that extreme regulation beginning at Washington, and running to each state capitol, is the answer in the fight between types of carriers.

"Nationally, there is need to break down the specious arguments that the controversy in transportation these days is among the carriers. The situation, more accurately stated, is whether or not the citizen is going to get benefits from competitive transport types."

Congress Gets I.C.C. **Transport Report**

THE I.C.C. sent a comprehensive report on transportation to Congress on March 22, proposing creation of a temporary agency to study emergencies facing the railroads, and reorganization of I.C.C. functions to expedite decisions.

The commission's report made these specific recommendations, in addition:

1. I.C.C. regulation of all transportation, including water carriers. 2. R.F.C. loans of \$300,000,000 to

railroads for equipment. 3. Compulsory pooling of traffic and rate charges.

4. Voluntary consolidation certain railroads.

5. Authority for the commission to delegate functions to individual commissioners.

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FROM THE LEGAL VIEWPOINT

Obligation Under Call for Extra Charges

LEGAL EDITOR, DandW: An important legal question which has been presented to us is, as follows: If a warehouseman accepts goods for storage, can he recover extra charges during certain seasons of the year providing the warehouse receipt contains a notification to the effect that the charges may be increased and will conform to the warehouseman's tariff? Also, assume that the warehouse receipt contains a clause that the owner of goods shall pay storage charges listed in the "published tariff displayed in the office of the bailee (warehouseman) or made known to the bailor (owner of goods) prior to this bailment," can the ware-houseman legally collect additional storage charges?-Baltimore Cold Storage Co.

Answer: Various courts have held that a clause printed inconspicuously in a letterhead, billhead, bill of lading, bill of sale, warehouse receipt, or other similar document may not obligate the other party to the contract unless the latter's attention was specifically directed to the contents of such notification.

Also, the courts have consistently held that a printed sign or a notification displayed in any place of business is not effective with respect to a contracting party unless the evidence clearly proves that the latter's attention was specifically directed to this sign.

After a careful review of late higher court decisions involving these points of the law it is apparent that before rendering a decision the court endeavors to interpret the original intentions of the contracting parties. Obviously, if the attention of one contracting party has not been directed to a sign, inconspicuous notification, or other rule or regulation, the higher court will decide the case without consideration of such sign, notification, rule or regulation.

Collection from Unpaid Charges

LEGAL EDITOR, DandW: What charges may a warehouseman legally collect from the owner of stored goods who fails to pay storage charges. Also, is the same laws which apply to railway companies applicable to motor transit companies? — Merchandise Warehouse Co.

Answer: Various courts have held that a warehouseman may include in his charges the following items: Transportation, storage, handling, insurance and auction costs.

While you state that according to your interpretation of the law a warehouseman can a c c e p t unclaimed or refused merchandise from a railway company and place the same in storage and sell at auction, this law is applicable in all cases if justifiable by state statutes. For instance, if a court

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renders a verdict evicting a tenant and a sheriff places the evicted tenant's property on a sidewalk, a warehouseman may, upon authority from the proper public official, place the chattels in storage and under these circumstances a warehouseman is entitled to the same legal rights as when the actual owner of the goods places the same in storage.

Certain state laws are applicable to all common carriers which includes railway companies and motor transit companies. However, other laws apply specifically to railway companies or motor transit companies and under these circumstances the particular law is not applicable to both railway companies and motor transit companies.

Owner Did Not Know—Can't Collect

LEGAL EDITOR, Dand W: Recently we accepted goods for storage from a person who claimed to be the owner of these goods. After keeping these goods in storage for 1 yr., we find that the owner did not know that the goods were placed in storage in our warehouse.

Can we collect storage charges from the owner on these goods?— Dayton Storage Co.

Answer: According to all higher court cases decided during the past 15 yrs. you cannot collect storage charges from the owner of the goods. This is so because the owner did not authorize the person with whom you transacted business to place the goods in storage. Of course, if an owner of mer-chandise or other chattels, authorized anyone to place the same in storage, then the owner is liable for the storage charges. However, if a person places goods in storage, without authority of the owner; or if a person who steals goods places the same in storage: or if an employe, who is a special agent of an employer, places goods in storage without authority of the employer, the warehouseman cannot recover storage charges from the owner of the goods.

In other words, in order that a warehouseman has legal rights to collect storage charges or sell goods to recover storage charges in the event the amount due is not paid it must be shown that: The owner of the goods placed the same in storage; or he authorized another to place the goods in storage; or the goods were placed in storage by order from a court of proper legal jurisdiction; or the warehouseman placed the goods in storage to protect the same from apparent damage or loss as from flood, fire or theft.

Void and Voidable

A GREAT majority of litigations, involving warehousemen and transportation companies, directly relate to the right of a contracting party to rescind a valid and legal contract.

Of course, any person may rescind a contract obtained by the other party as a result of direct or indirect fraud, misrepresentation, coercion, undue influence, duress, or threats. And, a contract made without proper authority of a warehouse employe, or while an authorized warehouse employe is mentally deficient, intoxicated, under influence of drugs, or under legal age, is voidable.

Certain kinds of contracts are void, such as those against public policy, prohibited by a statute, tending to effect immorality and having an illegal object. The legal distinction between void and voidable contracts is: In the former neither party may compel the other to fulfill the assumed obligations, whereas in voidable contracts one party has preference to either declare the contract void, or he may require the other party to fulfill the obligations.

For example, if a minor makes a contract he may, if he desires to do so, compel the other party to fulfill the exact terms of the contract, or he may declare the contract void and refuse to comply with its terms. In other words, a contract made by a warehouse with a minor is voidable, if the minor decides to take advantage of his legal rights.

Irrespective of whether one of the contracting parties is mentally deficient, a minor is entitled to claim benefit of the voidable law of contracts. Any contract is rescindable where it is shown that one party was induced to enter into the agreement by fraud or misrepresentation of the other party, provided the complaining party was unaware of the true facts at the time or before the contract was made.

For example, in Mosteller v Braham, 266 Pac. 367, it was disclosed that an owner represented to a prospective buyer that the business actually was valued at eight times its actual value, explaining that the daily cash receipts were above a stated amount.

Relying upon these statements the purchaser paid an installment and gave his note for the balance. Soon after taking possession of the business, the buyer discovered that the daily receipts were far less than the original owner had represented.

Promptly after discovering that the representations were false, the purchaser of the business gave written notice of rescission and offered to return the business to the seller upon condition that the latter return the first installment.

In consideration of the facts, the court promptly rendered a decision in favor of the purchaser.

Also, in the leading case of Sams v Barnes, 82 S.E. 124, a higher court explained the meaning of the term "fraud," stating:

"Fraud in the procurement of a contract voids it; and where a party intentionally or by design misrepresents a material fact or produces a false impression, in order to mislead another or to entrap or cheat him or to obtain an undue advantage over him, in every such case there is positive fraud in the truest sense of the term . . the misrepresentation may be as well by deeds and acts as by words, by artifices to mislead as by positive assertions."

An important point of the law is that failure of one party to explain facts which are *not* his duty to disclose does not constitute fraud, but where he has reason to believe that his silence misleads the other party or where he purposely conceals material facts that he knows is implied deceit, such acts are elements of fraud. In a recent case, 101 Iowa 457, the court said:

"It is the general rule that mere silence of a person in regard to facts which it is not his duty to disclose is not fraudulent. But, where silence would be misleading, a duty to speak may arise."

MISTAKE AS GROUNDS

A common source of controversy is where one party refuses to fulfill the terms of a contract on the contention that he was not fully informed of the contents of the agreement. It is well established law that a contract is rescindable, where it is shown that one of the parties was mistaken with respect to his assumed obligations, unless convincing evidence is introduced to prove that the mistake resulted from negligence of the complaining party.

Of course, neither party to an agreement can obtain court relief merely on a pretense that he did not realize the extent of the obligations. Generally, both parties must testify that the mistake was mutual. Moreover, if the party filing suit proves that he acted in good faith in fulfilling his obligations and was ready to carry out the agreement, the other party is liable for the full losses sustained by the former. This is true irrespective of the character of the contract.

PROMPT ACTION

It is important to know that a warehouseman who intends to rescind a contract on any of the usual legal grounds is bound to act promptly, otherwise he may forfeit his right.

For example, in the case of Noll v Baida, 254 Pac. 623, the evidence disclosed that 5 or 6 mos. after a party to a contract knew that the other party had made certain material false representations to induce the making of the contract, the former filed suit.

It is interesting to observe that although it was proved that the person who filed suit had been influenced to sign the contract by fraudulent representations made by the other, the court held the former not entitled to a judgment, and said:

"From what has heretofore appeared herein it is apparent that the proof falled to show that plaintiff had rescinded promptly on discovering the facts were not supported by the evidence; and that no sufficient excuse was shown for the delay in bringing the action."

A review of the leading cases on this subject discloses that delays of 2 mos. or longer, after discovering good and valid reasons for rescission of a contract may prove fatal to either contracting party. And in the leading cases of Bailey v Fox, 20 Pac. 868, a delay of 4 mos. was held too great; in Marten v Burns Co., 33 Pac. 1107, 3 mos., delay was held too long; in Gamble v Tripp, 33 Pac. 851, in the absence of some excuse therefor, 4½ mos. delay was held fatal.

This Month's Important Higher Court Cases

What Is Conversion?

G ENERALLY speaking, conversion of stored goods results from any illegal act on the part of the warehouseman, or his authorized employes, which deprives the owner of possession of the goods.

For illustration, in Mitchell v Munn Warehouse Co., et al. 86 Pac. (2d) 175, Craigmont, Idaho, it was disclosed that a warehouse was not equipped with fire extinguishment equipment. A fire was discovered in a warehouse in the early morning hours. The manager of the warehouse immediately purchased equipment and employed a crew to fight the fire and salvage the merchandise. A Mr. Lyng, an insurance adjuster, arrived at the scene of the fire about noon. After Lyng arrived, the manager of the warehouse surrendered the work of salvaging the merchandise and Lyng took over the work.

A person named Boyd went to the scene of the fire and contacted Lyng, after which Lyng went to the manager of the warehouse company and told him of an offer on the merchandise he had from Boyd. The manager told Lyng he did not think the offer was enough and then Lyng asked the manager if he knew of any other purchasers who might be interested. The manager told him he did not but he would see if he could locate a purchaser who would pay a reasonable price for the damaged goods. However, when the manager returned Lyng told him he had sold the merchandise to Boyd.

Soon afterward the owner of certain of the damaged merchandise, sold to Boyd, filed suit against both the warehouseman and Boyd for conversion. In holding both liable, the court said:

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"The authorized sale and delivery of respondent's (Mitchell's) merchandise with the acquiescence of the warehouse company permanently deprived Mitchell of his property. Any authorized act which deprives an owner of his property permanently or for an indefinite time is a conversion. And, as to Boyd, the record shows he purchased from Lyng and then took possession of, and sold, the same. One buying personal property must, at his peril, ascertain the ownership, and if he buys from one without authority to sell, his taking possession constitutes conversion."

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manager of the warehouse had not actually agreed to Boyd's purchasing the goods, yet he had acquiesced in the sale when he agreed to locate a purchaser who would pay a higher price than originally offered by Boyd.

Pecans Destroyed

THE higher courts have consistently held that a warehouseman is not liable for destruction of stored goods by fire, if proof is introduced showing that the fire did not result from negligence, or lack of "ordinary" care on the part of the warehouseman or his authorized employes. In other words, the courts hold that upon delivery of property to a warehouseman and his acceptance thereof, it is his guarantee that he will exercise "ordinary" care in its keeping and handling.

A bailor, or owner of goods, is under no duty to see that the warehouseman fulfills his engagement in this respect, nor can it be said that an owner of goods, who learns of the negligent handling of his property, is negligent in failing to rescind the bailment and take possession of his property. Therefore, warehousemen cannot escape liability on the plea that the owner of goods was aware of dangerous conditions and should have removed his goods from storage.

For instance, in Richter Bros. et al, for Use, etc. v Atlanta Storage, 200 S. E. 462, Georgia, it was disclosed that warehouse employes piled sacks of pecans eight or ten high, too close to incandescent electric lights. The pecans are full of oil and inflammable, for which reason when the lights were left burning the pecans caught on fire.

The legal question arose whether the warehouseman was negligent and, therefore, liable. The warehouseman argued that the owner of the pecans had automatically forfeited his right to recover liability because he knew that it was dangerous to permit his pecans to remain stored so close to incandescent electric lights. However, the higher court refused to agree with the argument, and said:

"The plaintiff (owner of the goods) was not an expert warehouseman as was the defendant (warehouseman) and his presence on the premises cannot be said to be any evidence sustaining the theory of contributory negligence on his part with reference to the negligent handling of his property. Furthermore, it does not appear that he was cognizant, in fact he could not have been cognizant of the alleged negligence of the defendant (warehouseman) thereafter occurring with reference to the negligent stacking of the pecans in close proximity to an unguarded electric light."

Whiskey Legitimate

I N the late case of Surles et al. v Commonwealth, 200 S.E. 636, Gate City, Virginia, the higher court said:

"The transportation of intoxicating liquors through a state is governed by Federal regulations; that into a state by state laws. Whiskey is now a legitimate article of commerce and, is entitled to the privileges of merchandise generally."

In this case the court refused to hold a transportation company liable although it violated a Virginia law requiring those who transport whiskey to carry a memorandum, signed by the consignor, showing the route to be traveled by such vehicle while in Virginia and such route must be the most direct route from the consignor's place of business to the place of business of the consignee. This court said:

"If some farmer in Maine wished to send a truck-load of seed potatoes to California, and if statutes like ours were everywhere in force, he would find it burdensome to mark out in advance the route to be traveled; indeed, he might find it impossible."

Goods Held Taxable

N interstate shipment is not A n interstate simplified was affected by a temporary "stopover" in a state. In other words, a "transit" is a stop-over privilege on a continuous journey granted by a carrier by which a break de facto in the continuity of the carriage of goods is disregarded, and two legs of a journey are treated as though they were covered without interruption, which unites both legs into a through route for which a joint rate can be published. It is recognized that "transits" may, and often do, determine a continuous carriage. However, this rule of the law does not change the intrastate character of goods actually stored in a state or a shipment made to purchasers within the state.

For illustration, in Galveston Truckline Cor. v State, 123 S.W. (2d) 797, Dallas, Texas, the court held that where paint was transported into a state to remain in a warehouse not more than 6 mos. for the purpose of finding a market within the state, subsequent transportation from the warehouse to points within the state constituted "intrastate commerce" subject to all of the various state transportation regulations.

In this case it was shown that raw materials were shipped and held by the Sherwin-Williams Corp. of Ohio, in Dallas, Texas for its own purposes. It was manufactured and processed into finished products for itself and its subsidiaries, stored in its warehouses, inventoried and labeled to the subsidiary whose formula was used in the manufacture, and commingled with other property in storage be-

longing to them. Later the paints were shipped to points in Texas.

The higher court held the corporation liable for payment of taxes in Texas, and said:

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"We think the products reached their final destination and became a part of the general mass of state property in Dallas, Texas. Its interstate character came to rest because the raw materials had no other particular destination at the time they were shipped or at the time they were received, manufactured, and processed, but were delivered to the shipper and stored at Dallas pending disposition. Mere intention by the owner utimately to ship the finished product manufactured and processed in Texas from raw materials shipped from out of the state does not put them in interstate commerce."

Bond Law Held Valid

U NDER ordinary circumstances the higher courts will not hold a state law void, which requires warehousemen to furnish bond, unless the law clearly is ambiguous or otherwise obviously illegal.

For instance, in Bergen v Gerold Storage, Packing and Moving Co., 18 N. E. (2d) 903, Illinois, it was shown that a state law requires warehousemen to furnish bond to guarantee fulfillment of legal obligations to patrons. The law grants authority to a commission to classify warehousemen, and to vary the amount of the bond accordingly. Three standards were set up by the law to guide the commission's judgment: (1) The number of warehouses owned by the applicant; (2) the space devoted to the storage of personal property, and (3) the character of protection the warehouses afforded.

A warehouseman contested the validity of the state law on the grounds that: "The first standard is indefinite because the statute neither defines the word 'warehouse' nor states whether bonds shall vary in amount in direct proportion to the number of warehouses owned." With respect to this contention the higher court said:

"The term 'warehouse' has a commonly accepted meaning making further definition unnecessary. The legislative intent is likewise clear that the penalties of the bonds should not increase in direct proportion to the number of warehouses owned, since the number is but one of the three elements which the commission must consider in fixing amounts."

Also, it was contended that the law was void because in the second standard, namely "the space to be used for warehouse purposes," the state law does not specify whether "space" means cubic capacity of the building or its area.

With respect to this contention, the higher court said:

"The legislature undoubtedly intended the commission, in the exercise of the discretion granted to use both methods of measurement. A requirement that either mode be used exclusively would result in obvious injustice, as the determination of the amount of the floor space of a particular building which may be used for storage depends upon the articles stored therein."

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State Barriers on Trucks an Unsolved Problem

AFTER surveying the problem of "ports-of-entry" and other barriers to interstate trucking, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics has reported pessimistically Secretary Henry A. Wallace that no solution appears in sight.

The problem faced, says the report, is whether the American people are willing to endure some highway congestion in the interests of freer and cheaper movement of necessaries by interstate trucks.

Hope is held out that more practical construction by courts of the federal transportation laws may make possible a general federal regulation wiping out impediments now set up at states lines.

The Bureau after summarizing developments in "interstate wars reports:

"Relief from the obstacles to inter-state commerce that have been set up in the field of motor transportation is clearly needed. But where does the remedy lie? How are present restric-tions to be reduced and the increase of such barriers to be avoided in the future? Although no simple or easy answer emerges from our study, we can profitably consider the possibilities in the current situation.

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"What has been or can be done to decrease the barriers to interstate commerce that arise from State efforts to tax out-of-state motor vehicles? Very little trouble as to license plates now exists in the States on the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts to Virginia, as most of these States have clauses in their laws exceptions. Virginia, as most of these States have clauses in their laws granting liberal reciprocal privileges to 'foreign' motor vehicles. Considerable progress has been made recently in certain parts of the country in the direction of bilateral State reciprocity agreements involving recognition of out-of-State license plates. For instance, Michigan has recently worked out reciprocal arrangements with Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio. A similar situation exists in the far West where at least its adjoining States have entered into fairly liberal bilateral reciprocity agreements. If this movement could grow steadily so as to include the whole country an appreciable gain to the free interstate movement of goods would result. "Past experience has indicated, how-

"Past experience has indicated, how Past experience has indicated, however, that reciprocity agreements have appreciable weaknesses, not the least of which is that they are likely to break down at any time. Sometimes when this happens a severe border war may result, to be followed possibly by a new reciprocity agreement or, as has not infrequently happened in the past, by the rigorous enforcement of retallatory legislation. Furthermore, even the most liberal of the reciprocity agreements do not go very far. They do not ordinarily give the foreign carrier the right to do any intrastate trucking in the foreign State, nor do they often cover special taxes such as the ton-mile or wheel tax. Finally, certain States, like Wyoming and Oklahoma, steadfastly refuse to enter reciprocal agreements.

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"Although some further development may come along the line of reciprocity agreements, appreciable difficulties stand in the way. Especially persis-

tent is the feeling that the outside trucker should contribute to the State revenue. But other motives, including protection of State interests and re-taliation against laws of other States, are also important.

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"The difficulty of making appreciable progress through voluntary State adoption of broad reciprocity agreements suggests the alternative of Federal action. A Federal law might be passed providing that no further registrations could be required of any motor vehicle moving in interstate commerce which was properly registered in its home State and had, in addition, an Interstate Commerce Commission registration. Such a law might also provide that no State ton-mile, wheel, or other taxes could be levied on interstate motor vehicles which were not also levied on intrastate vehicles. If such a plan were found to involve serious legal difficulties adoption of substantially the same program might be obtained in some other way. For example, Federal grants-in-aid might be made only to those States that were willing to cooperate in such a plan. Under such pressure all States might be willing to adopt the scheme. The difficulty of making appreciable

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"Such a program would bring obvious advantages to interstate truck movement. But what disadvantages might be anticipated? Some States would undoubtedly object to losing the revenue which comes from taxing the out-of-State truck. This objection might be met by prorating to the States on the basis of the amount of interstate trucking done in each State he income received by the Federal Government from Interstate Commerce Commission licenses. Since only a nominal amount is now charged for interstate Commerce Commission registration this fee would have to be greatly increased if appreciable revenue were to result. The practical difficulties in the administration of such a plan would have to be carefully studied and evaluated.

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"Moreover, unless such a program were worked out very carefully it might result, just as has the Motor Carrier Act, 1935, in creating new difficulties for interstate commerce at the same time that it eliminated others. Thus, if the number of trucks given I.C.C. licenses were severely limited, or if the cost of the licenses were high, interstate trade might be discouraged. Certainly if a high license fee were assessed at a flat rate on all trucks, farmers and small business men who make only occasional interstate trips might be largely excluded from such trade. Although these considerations are not necessarily an argument against Federal control, they do indicate the necessity of framing such legislation with the greatest care. No

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"The problem of the barriers to Interstate trade created by State laws having to do with truck size and weight also presents obstacles to easy solution. State action in the direction of uniformity has been lamentably slow despite the fact that the whole question of uniform standards for size and weight of trucks has been given a great deal of attention by both private and public agencies. A uniform vehicle code was drawn up in 1925-26 by the National Conference on Street and Highway Safety cooperating with the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. This code has been revised from time to time and, following a conference in which many agencies participated, was published in its most recent form on July 21, 1934, by the Bureau of Public Roads of the Department of Agriculture."

Tennessee Passes Truck Weight Limit Law

A measure which raises the legal weight limit from 18,000 to 24,000 lbs., and which fixes three license fee scales for as many types of highway users, has been passed by the General Assembly and signed by Gov. Prentice Cooper of Tennessee. Strong railroad opposition in the Senate, which sought to have the weight limit reduced, did not prevail.

The new law, which stipulates that not more than 16,000 lbs. of weight may rest on any one axle, fixes license fees ranging up to \$225 instead of the present mileage

All for-hire trucks using the Tennessee highways must pay \$25 for gross weights up to 8,000 lbs.; \$50 for more than 8,000, but not in excess of 14,000 lbs.; \$140 for more than 14,000 lbs., but not in excess of 18,000 lbs., and \$225 for more than 18,000 lbs., but not in excess of 24,000 lbs.

When private concerns operate the trucks, the fees are \$15, \$25, \$80 and \$150, while farmers will pay \$7.50, \$12.50, \$40 and \$75. It is noted that but three states now have what is considered inordinately low truck weight limits. They are Alabama, 20,000 lbs.; Kentucky, 18,000 lbs., and Texas, 17,-000 lbs.

Strongest opposition against the measure was voiced by Senator Craig, who, while he described himself as an attorney for the Illinois Central R. R., said he was interested principally in the protection of the highways.

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Illinois Acts to Stop Monopoly

To abolish highway transportation monopolies granted to twentyone trucking corporations by the Illinois Commerce Commission, and providing full safety and financial responsibility regulation of all trucks, the Illinois Truck Act has been introduced in the Senate and House of Representatives at Springfield, Ill.

The bill which places administration in the Department of Publie Works and Buildings with the Division of Highways and Highway Police, was prepared by the Uniform Motor Vehicle Laws Commission under the chairmanship of Senator Louis J. Menges (D., East St. Louis) following 15 mos. of intensive study, including more than seventy-five public hearings and conferences. The Commission estimates that more than 120,000 truck owners and 300,000 truck drivers and employees will be affected directly by the proposed law.

The high points of the bill fol-

No. 1.—Prevents monopolies such as exist under the 1921 Public Utilities Law, with only twenty-one truck companies now holding exclusive monopolies upon Illinois public highways.

No. 2.—Sets up no fees or charges and does not affect or amend the law in regard to truck licenses. Increased collections of sales tax and truck license fees due to better enforcement and accurate records of truck loads and movements will more than cover cost of administration.

No. 3.—Requires every truck owner to submit trucks to a rigid semi-annual safety inspection.

No. 4.—Requires every owner to have public liability and property damage insurance or prove financial ability to pay \$5.000 for injury or death of one person, \$10,000 for any one accident and \$5,000 property damage.

accident and \$5,000 property damage. No. 5.—Requires every owner to obtain a permit or certificate from the Department of Public Works & Buildings before March 1, 1940. The permit or certificate must be granted to every truck owner who is operating on July 1, 1939, if he makes application and complies with safety and insurance or financial responsibility provisions. Places administration in Department of Public Works and Buildings which includes the Division of Highways and State Highway Police.

No. 6.—Every truck driver is lim-

No. 6.—Every truck driver is limited to 12 hrs. of driving and a total of 15 hrs. on duty in any 24-hr. period.
No. 7.—Requires every truck owner to paint his name, address, permit or certificate number and empty weight of truck on the sides of each truck.

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No. 8.—Requires use of simplified form of bills of lading by 'for-hire' truckers and bills of sale in the case of merchant truckers. These provisions coupled with identification of every truck will assist materially in reducing rural thefts of poultry and livestock which exceed two million dollars annually, short weights and other rauds, and will result in the collection of an estimated three-quarters of a million dollars each year in sales tax now being evaded by many of the merchant truckers.

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No. 9.—Defines eleven classes of truck operators with 'for-hire' operators classified as Metropolitan (Chicago district only), line haul (regular route), local (downstate irregular route), contract carriers, and the specialized carrier (the goods mover and other specialized carriers such as those who handle oil



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In the past use of containers for handling freight on the railroads has suffered from a number of difficulties. Transfer of the heavy containers from trucks to freight cars and vice versa could be effected only at points where special loading equipment (a crane or derrick) was available, which made it necessary to switch the freight cars to such points. Moreover, both the consigner and the consignee had to have similar loading equipment in order to get the container onto and off the truck.

This problem apparently has been solved by Van Doorne's Aanhangwagen-fabriek of Eindhoven, Holland, which has developed a special semi-trailer equipped with loading and unloading apparatus that is operated hydraulically by means of the tractor engine, through a power take-off on its transmission. The photograph herewith shows the loading equipment in operation. The container being loaded is that of the Netherlands Railways which has a capacity of 425 cu. ft. and will carry 5 tons.

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No. 10.—The Department of Public Works and Buildings to determine cost of operation for Metropolitan, line haul, local and specialized carriers and to set this cost plus reasonable return on investment as a minimum rate only. There will be no longer any necessity for the operators to pay high fees to maintain rate bureaus as the trucker is not required to stand the expense of filing his own rates as provided in practically every other regulatory law.

Okla. Abolishes State's 58 Ports of Entry

The Oklahoma House of Representatives recently passed a measure abolishing the State's 58 ports of entry. The bill, known as House Bill No. 11, was authored and introduced by Rep. Carl Dees, of Idabel. Introduced in the Senate, it has been referred to the Senate Committee on Retrenchment and Reform, where it has remained since Feb. 1.

Abolishment of the entry ports is an administration measure, and the Governor has repeatedly asked for final action. The Oklahoma tax commission, in its recent annual report to the Governor, defended the ports of entry as a valuable source of much-needed State revenue. Rep. Dees asserted that "the ports of entry are costing the State \$100,000 a year, and instead of increasing its revenue, they are cutting it."

Denver 3-Day Strike Settled

During February a 3-day strike that involved 400 employes of ten Denver, Colo., transfer and storage companies was settled after a series of conferences between representatives of the Colorado Transfer and Warehousemen's Assn. and the Chauffeurs, Teamsters and Helpers union, Local 13. The strike started with employes of the Weicker Transfer & Storage Co. and involved the question of a closed union shop in a new contract being negotiated. It spread to other companies and involved the truck drivers and warehouse employes in Denver and several other Colorado cities.

The agreement under which the strikers went back to work provided increased pay and shorter working hours. The agreement also covered striking drivers in Pueblo and Colorado Springs.

A. M. Burroughs, member of the warehousemen's negotiating committee, said a mutually satisfactory agreement had been reached after both sides had made concessions.

Rhode Island Truck Strike Paralyzes State

Highway transportation throughout Rhode Island was paralyzed March 19 as 3,000 truck drivers, members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Stablemen and Helpers, went on strike for higher wages.

The strike, which threatened to spread to central Massachusetts and Connecticut, followed breakdown of negotiations between owners and drivers. The owners had refused to accept a compromise agreement suggested by arbiters from the labor departments of the three affected states.

Business agent John F. Prior of Providence local 251, called the strike at midnight March 18, after daylong conferences in Boston had ended in deadlock. Meantime, locals at Worcester and Brockton, Mass., voted to aid the Rhode Island strikers by refusing to drive trucks into the state. At the same time they voted to accept the compromise agreement.

Out of 80 trucking firms in Worcester, according to Chairman Fitzpatrick of the union's executive committee, only 2 have signed contracts embodying the compromise wage scales. At present, drivers receive from 55 to 74 cents per hour, depending upon locality, while the compromise would have increased wages by 2/10 of a cent to 9 cents an hour. The union guaranteed movements of perishables, spokesmen said.

Prior said individual contracts would be signed and drivers of the contracting firms would be permitted to resume work immediately.

Phila. Court Enjoins Motor Carriers' Service

On petition of the Committee on Unauthorized Practice of the Law, Philadelphia, Judge Louis E. Levinthal has issued an injunction restraining the Motor Carriers' Service Bureau, Inc., and the Tax Service Co., Inc., both of Broad and Diamond Streets, and James H. McGurk, president of both corporations, from continuing such activities as constitute unauthorized practice of the law.

According to evidence submitted. McGurk and the corporations of which he is an officer engaged in unauthorized legal practice by advising motor truck owners regarding their legal rights, drawing up documents for submission to the Public Utility Commission and, through an associated attorney, "appearing" before the commission. G. A. Breustle, secretary of the Motor Carriers' Service Bureau, Inc., employed by it to handle matters before the Interstate Commerce Commission, was directed to dissolve the arrangement of employment between himself and the defendant corporations.

Under Judge Levinthal's opinion, in which he based his findings on the statement that it is "not to protect the economic interests of the members of the bar, but rather to safeguard the rights of the general public, that the practice of law is restricted to lawyers only," held that those who are not lawyers cannot represent clients before the Public Utility Commission; give advice on how to cut down tax liability, obtain charters, or arrange dissolutions for corporations;

prepare partnership agreements, or give legal advice. This ruling is expected to have a far-reaching effect upon accountants, notaries public and others who "serve" the public in similar capacities.

Get Liquor-Hauling Contracts in Va.

Carter Bros. and the Brooks Transfer & Storage Co., two Richmond, Va., firms, and Rutherford Freight Lines, Bristol, Va., were awarded contracts recently by the ABC board for the hauling of liquor from Richmond warehouses to stores throughout the state. The three companies have been hauling for the board since its inception. They were among 8 bidders last Dec. 28. The contracts run for 2 yrs. from July 1.

Wis. Modifies Hour Rule on Drivers

The Wisconsin Public Service Commission on March 1 modified its previous general order regulating hours of service of drivers of trucks passing through Wisconsin so that it is in agreement with the order issued late in January by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The order recognized that time spent in sleeper cabs by drivers en route as not time spent on regular duty. The previous order of the commission which was issued in September, 1936, provided that such time must be included.

Little Hope for New Texas Law

Some of the leading supporters of the Texas House bill to raise the load weight limits of trucks from 7,000 lbs. to 20,000 lbs. have expressed the belief that the measure is dead so far as the current session of the legislature is concerned. The bill was given its fatal blow when the House defeated by vote of 83 to 56 a motion to print the bill on a minority report of the committee, a majority of the committee having reported it unfavorably.

Representative Homer Leonard, author of the measure, made a strong plea to the House not to kill the bill. He urged that it be kept alive and the weight limit changed to less than 20,000 lbs. if the membership so desired. More and larger trucks are needed to move the citrus fruit and other crops in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, he declared.

"The Lower Rio Grande Valley is in desperate shape," he said. "More than two-thirds of the citrus fruit shipping season is gone and less than one-third of the citrus fruit has been moved. All independent packing sheds are closed. We in the Valley are appealing for at least some relief from the present extremely low load limit. We ship more than two-thirds of our fruit by rail but need trucks for the rest."

A bill is pending in the Senate to raise the load limit of trucks to 10,000 lbs.

Regulation Favored in Nebraska

With almost every trucker attending, a legislative hearing on March 20 voted in favor of continued regulation by the Nebraska railway commission. No effective plan, however, has been worked out.

The hearing on the revised truck regulatory bill, brought out demands for exemptions of interstate carriers, livestock haulers and farmers. While the original bill would have repealed all truck regulation, a revamped plan would place contract and common carriers under full regulation and private and interstate operators under insurance and safety rules. Farmers would be exempt to a certain extent, but not entirely.

Van Strike Settled

Truck Drivers' Union, local 413, Columbus, Ohio, has compromised its suit against three van operating firms charging violation of contract. Settlement was reached in Judge Cecil J. Randall's Common Pleas Court after validity of the union claim had been questioned by the operators. Controversy arose after the van owners had continued to employ union men who had been suspended for non-payment of 50 cents weekly dues. Firms had been giving drivers small grocery and rent allowance during the slack winter period, and the drivers had refused to pay union dues during this time.

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Under terms of the settlement, van owners will guarantee payment of \$2.50 monthly to the local until contract expires May 30. This will bring the union about 50 per cent of the delinquent dues which are now unpaid. The contract is a group agreement on behalf of the owners and drivers union, drawn last May 30 by Local 413 and the Columbus Van Owners Assn. A 1-wk. strike was called at that time, but drivers generally did not participate. However, owners suspended service to avoid violence.

Court action involved 14 employees of three firms: Hilltop Storage & Transfer Co., Penn Transfer Co., and Bazler Storage & Van Co.

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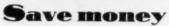
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WHEN Charles Goodyear exactly a century ago at Woburn Mass., dropped a handful of rubber and sulphur upon his kitchen stove, thus discovering the secret of vulcanization he opened the door to employment of over 4,000,000 person throughout the world in 1939.

The rubber industry, on the one hundreth anniversary Goodyear's discovery, serves as the perfect example of the axiomatic line, "tall oaks from little acorns grow," represent today a world-wide investment of \$2,698,000,000, and turns of products retailing at approximately 21/2 billion dollars ead

Survey of the world's rubber business today, in contrast with its "scratch" start in 1839, conducted by statisticians for the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio, reveals that 2 700,000 are employed in the growing and collecting of rubber on plantations, mostly in the Middle East.

In the fields of manufacturing and distributing rubber products, however, the United States has by far the greater number of workmen employed, with 64 per cent of the world's industrial rubber workers and distributors.

Actually engaged in rubber manufacturing the world over are approximately 250,000, of which 150,000 are employed in rubber factories of this country. Retail value of rubber prod ucts sold in the United States in 1937, latest year on which complete figures are available, was \$1,248,000,000, approximately 50 per cent of the world's total. DandW. Y.

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The new machines employ a high torque electric motor of ser's choice, connected to spotter drive mechanism by an encased flexible roller chain coupling, and mounted with the potter on a welded steel base plate.

The vertical capstan, made of semi-steel or cast steel, is machine-finished to prolong the life of the haulage cable. A



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MASS DISTRIBUTION

THERE are various ways of defining the term "mass distribution." Some people take it to mean sale of goods through large retail outlets such as various types of chain stores. They absorb such a mass of products that they are often called "mass distributions." Others take mass distribution to mean the total amount of manufactured goods as a mass passing through primary channels of distribution in any 1 yr. This is the way the term is used here.

Taking 1935 as our example, which was the last year in which the Census Bureau asked manufacturers, as a part of the census of business, to report the amount of their sales that went through various primary channels of distribution, we find that the total amount distributed in that year was \$43,801,214,000. This figure represents the total value of goods sold and shipped from 134,392 manufacturing plants - the total mass distributed. These goods went through the various primary channels of distribution as follows:

This is our picture of mass distribution.

A paper presented at the American Warehousemen's Assn. convention, Dallas, Feb. 17. By JOHN H. FREDERICK

Prof. of Transportation and Industry, School of Business Administration, The University of Texas

> "Economy in Modern Distribution"

PROFESSOR FREDERICK will contribute a series of 9 articles, beginning with the May Issue of D and W. His subject will be "Economy in Modern Distribution."

In this series he will point out to various major industries just what has been done or should be done to secure the maximum in distribution economy.

The different industries to be considered are as follows: Food, Textile, Forest Products and Paper, Chemical and Allied Products, Leather, Stone, Clay and Glass, Iron, Steel and Allied Products, Non-Ferrous Metals, and Machinery.

Primary Channel of Distribution	Amount	% of Total
Wholesale branches with or without stock	\$7,499,535,000 10,742,251,000	17.1 24.5
Wholesalers and Jobbers Own retail stores	10,134,396,000 629,139,000	23.2 1.5
Retailers including chain stores	8,412,051,000	19.2
Household consum-	795,488,000	1.8
Own organization plants	4,350,795,000	9.9
particular chan- nel	1,237,559,000	2.8

The year 1935 was not the first time that manufacturers had been asked to report on the channels of distribution through which their products first moved. They had also been asked this in 1929. So with the results of the 1929 and 1935 Census Bureau Studies at hand we can see some important developments in mass distribution, indicated in those industry groups for which 1935 figures are comparable with 1929 figures.

This comparison brings out some very interesting changes that have taken place and shows that the channels used in mass distribution are not stable, but are changing as conditions warrant. All manufacturers have taken an increasing interest in distribution and are realizing that it is as important, if not more important, than production. In fact, today for many manufacturers the opportunity to bring the level of their prices down to what industrial and household consumers can afford to pay for their products lies in the field of economies in distribution rather than in economies in production.

Taking up each of the groups to which the Census Bureau assigns the manufacturing plants of the country, on the basis of their product or group of products of chief value, we note that in 1935 the manufacturers comprising the Food and Kindred Products Industry Group distributed less through their own wholesale branches, but made considerably more sales direct to retailers. Wholesalers in this field practically held their own.

In the Textiles and Their Products Industry Group, we find manufacturers making much less use of wholesalers in 1935 than they did in 1929, with a correspondingly greater increase in their direct sales to industrial users and direct sales to retailers.

In the Forest Product Industry Group there was considerable falling off in direct sales to industrial users and a considerable increase in direct sales to retailers and household consumers with the position of the wholesalers practically unchanged.

In the Chemical and Allied Products Industry Group, we find manufacturers increasing their sales to their own wholesale

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Bostwick and Cannon at Cal. Meetings

The California Van and Storage Assn. had as guests at a recent meeting leaders from the National Furniture Warehousemen's Assn. National president W. M. Bostwick and Field Secretary Forrest Cannon were welcomed by members of Northern California locals, including Stockton, San Jose, Berkeley, Oakland, San Francisco in a large get-together meeting. Mr. Bostwick and Mr. Cannon told how the National association planned to co-operate with locals in the solution of major problems that affect the industry the country over, the matter of rate-cutting being an outstanding

The national leaders were on a field trip that included visits to locals in California, Washington and

San Francisco Losing Tonnage Because of State Control

SAN FRANCISCO is fighting for control of its own port, now State-administered. Bills in the legislature transfer control of San Francisco harbor from the State to the City. San Francisco business men and port authorities say that State control of the har-bor has not resulted in development of the port, but a decided decline in tonnage. State control, they say, is rapidly resulting in San Francisco losing to other ports in California.

During the past 10 yrs., San Francisco has suffered a loss of 4,000,000 tons of tonnage estimated at \$60 a ton, a loss exceeding a quarter billion dollars. These figures were given by Assemblyman Ray Williamson, in a talk before the Pacific Ocean Section of the Commonwealth Club, San Francisco, recently. While San

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rancisco was losing this vast amount of tonnage, her ports have shown an increase in California.

Mr. Williamson says:

Los Angeles has passed San Francisco in the volume of atwise and intercoastal harbor tonnage, while narrowing gap between Los Angeles and San Francisco ports in the atter of general ton.age. Excluding petroleum, the general go tonnage handled in Los Angeles, including lumber, was 16,322 tons last year. That is within 250,00 tons—or 5 reent—of the general cargo handled across San Francisco cent-

San Francisco's program for harbor home rule proles for employment of an experienced port director, would be responsible to a five-man harbor utility mmission. An extensive program of harbor promon is also outlined.

al. Household Warehouse ate Decision After April 20

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Household goods warehousemen and movers in Calimia still do not know whether they will have to ce a decrease in rates in line with what appears to the present temper of the State Railroad Commism, or win their claim that existing rates, far from eing too high, are now in many instances losing perators money. Hearings on the household goods ses, Nos. 4086 and 4099, were held Feb. 15-16-17 in an Francisco before Commissioner Devlin. No desion has yet been rendered. The household goods men are been given until April 20 to file further briefs nd a decision will be handed down by the Commission me time after that date.

Associations represented at the hearings before the Commission were California Storage Assn., San Fransco Movers, Inc., Alameda County Draymen's Assn., nd United Independent Van and Warehousemen's asn. Speaking for memberships at these bodies was joint council composed of the following executives: I. W. Barker, C. Harold Sexsmith, Jackson W. Ken-iall and Emmett Hart. The Council presented for heir associations composite exhibits showing average osts for performing various services usual to the usiness of household goods moving, local and long distance moving and miscellaneous occasional services. The 3-day hearing was taken up with the presentation of the exhibits of the associations and of the engineer of the commission, and cross examination of repreentatives of both sides. Exhibits for the commission were presented by Grant Malquist of the Engineering Department of the Railroad Commission and Jas Mulnew of the Rate Division. In his cost study, Engineer Malquist purported to show the minimum costs of an efficient moving operator. The testimony indicated the Commission's cost study had been made without refermee to any actual mover or group of movers or re-merch into their costs. Suggested rates were based ot on weighted averages of actual operations, but on the Commission representative's own judgment of what was fair and reasonable.

legislation Big Topic at Cal. Truck Convention

EGISLATION was the burning topic at the annual Lonvention of Truck Operators sponsored by all tuck owners' associations in California in the first making convention of this kind to be held. Meeting in Oakland, on Feb. 23-24-25 in conjunction with the Fifth Annual Convention of the Truck Owners' Assoiation of California, this joint convention drew delesates and visitors from all over the State. The big meetings were legislative ones. The truck owners of he State have a joint legislative committee of ten

Roy B. Thompson, executive secretary of the Truck Owners' Association of California, and David G. Shearer, Council of Truck Assn., are chairmen for Northern and Southern divisions respectively, with SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.



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Brynn Belyea of Los Angeles and A. T. Smith of a Jose as vice-chairmen of the committee. Detail reports on bills in the legislature were given by Thompson and Mr. Shearer.

Mr. Shearer told the convention that of the measures affecting the trucking industry, fifty highly dangerous, another 150 dangerous, and the maining 200 required the attention of trucking into ests in one way or another. This is the most serie legislative year that the industry has had to face Sacramento, according to Mr. Shearer, with a long le of measures relating to labor, taxation, carrier relation, and changes in the motor vehicle code. One ators were warned of the many bills to shorten wo hours to thirty a week, to shift to employers the hoload of social security. There are half a dozen by which would give labor stronger rights in the man of picketing, labor disputes, mediation. About 125 bil make changes in the motor vehicle code with respet to transportation of livestock, insurance, proper damage, speed, parking, rear bumpers for trucks, quiring finger printing of vehicle operators, compulso inspection of motor vehicles, and a dozen more. M Shearer pointed out that truck operators must oppo certain bills put up in the guise of safety measure which are in effect attempts to make certain comme cial gadgets on motor vehicles compulsory.

The compulsory inspection measure, if passed, wou cost the industry millions of dollars and untold troub This measure was defeated once before and has be revived (assertedly by garage interests). The curre proposal is that motor vehicles be inspected seven times a year, inspection fee to be paid by owner Originally, this was to be a state measure but it proponents, foreseeing defeat, changed it to permit municipalities to require compulsory inspection. When it was objected that this might cause trucks to be be up by several towns on a route, the measure we further altered to provide that only those domicile in a given town might be inspected by that town Truckmen object to this also because many operator are domiciled in one town, yet work in another.

A number of bills raise the tax on fuel, particular diesel, adding all the way from one cent to four cent additional to the gallon. There are many other to proposals that truck operators were warned to watch A senate bill would increase the length of vehicle slightly, make amendments respecting load, weight condition and equipment of vehicles and is considered helpful by truckmen. A measure that the industry was warned to watch is one which would change licensing to a gross weight basis.

The convention was told that truckmen are in a good position in Sacramento with respect to legislating representation. Several truckmen from the norther and southern portions of the state are assemblymen including Don Fields, Dan Gallagher, Jos. P. Gilmon Mr. Gilmore has introduced a bill to prevent municipal palities from placing levies on trucks, and from con tinuing such levies as exist. In the Los Angeles are there are some levies of this type running up to \$8 a vehicle; the measure would prevent taxation on earliers under the California Railroad Commission. assembly bill changes the speed limit from 20 to 2 miles an hour within certain limits.

The two serious problems faced by truck operator this year, according to Mr. Thompson, are taxation an regulation. Not only California legislation is menacin truck operators, but very drastic regulation in the bijoining state of Nevada. If truck legislation before the Nevada legislature should pass, Mr. Thompson to the convention, Nevada truckers would be put out d business and no California operators would care to take their trucks across the state line.

In California, the bill that is giving truckers the biggest headache is S.B. 1115 which repeals that set

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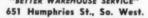
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California Truck Convention

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tion of the Public Utilities Act of the State which prevents railroads from cutting costs. If this measure should pass, truckmen believe it would result in a ruinous rate war between railroads and highway carriers. "If this railroad bill passes," Mr. Thompson said, "truck operators would be better off with no regulation at all than with this law in effect."

The legislative Committee, through Mr. Shearer and Mr. Thompson, made a strong plea for unity in the trucking industry and hailed the combined conventions of all California truck owners' associations in session as a significant step in that direction.

The imperative need for unity was stressed again by C. F. Jackson, assistant general manager of the American Trucking Association, Inc., who was visiting the Pacific Coast from Washington, D. C. Mr. Jackson gave a review of National rate action, outlining minimum rate cases, and advised the industry to come to its own agreements on minimum rates to avoid "frozen" conditions. Motor carriers must get together to set and harmonize rates was the gist of Jackson's message. Fighting internal truck rate cases before the I.C.C. is too long and too expensive a process. He warned that rates are going down, costs are going up, and only concerted action within the industry can rectify the adverse differential.

Other speakers who brought important messages to the convention were: Ray C. Wakefield, president, California Railroad Commission; E. R. Cato, chief of the California Highway Patrol; T. W. Rodgers, president, American Trucking Associations, Inc.; Hon. Harold F. Sawallisch, chairman, Motor Vehicle Committee of the Assembly; and many others, including Les C. Allman of the Fruehauf Trailer Co., who spoke on getting the right kind of publicity for trucking.

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News from the Cold Storage Industry

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ing balance of funded debt outstanding at \$61,400. In addition to sinking fund reserve a general reserve of \$5,000 is set up. Earned and distributable as at Dec. 31, 1938, totaled \$176,367 compared with \$1,649,416 at previous year-end.

W. G. Lasher, president, states that during 1938 tonnage movement through the warehouse did not conform to the usual seasonal trends. For roughly 4 mos. in the summer, he said, there resulted a loss in tonnage carried as compared with a substantial gain during the like period in previous years, and it was not until September that stocks began to build up.

Mr. Lasher added that since the latter were considerably in excess of normal the result might be attributed to the "fear of war." At the year-end approximately 3,000 tons had been gained "on balance" and the dollar result of operations was but little below the preceding year, he said.

Fairmont Creamery Distributes Frozen Foods

The Fairmont Creamery Co., Lincoln, Neb., has added the distributorship of frozen foods to its line of products. To begin with, it will feature frozen strawberries under the Fairmont label.

Urges Delaware Freezing Industry

Efforts to build a quick-freezing industry in the Delaware area of intensive truck production was urged recently by E. R. Dick of Smyrna, president of the Peninsula Horticultural Society. He said that the University of Delaware should appoint an expert in truck and canning crops to speed the development of a quick-freeze industry such as has already started in New Jersey.

Terminal, Dayton, Plans Quick-Freeze Units

The Terminal Cold Storage and Ice Co., Dayton, Ohio, is planning the installation of a series of quickfreezing compartments to be available to companies and individuals.

Freezer for Green Peas at Gaspe Peninsula, Quebec

A movement is underway at Douglastown, in Gaspe Peninsula, Quebec, for the establishment of a freezer for green peas during the coming summer. It is stated that if the plans work out the Co-Operative Butter factory at that point, unused for several years, may be bought. The Very Rev. Father G. E. Miles, parish priest, is interested, as is the Department of Agricul-

General Foods and Birds Eye Prospered in 1938

General Foods Corp. sold the largest amount of food in dollars and tonnage in 1938 in its history as net sales rose to \$135,221,301 from \$133,126,506 in 1937. Of the 260 billion pounds of food consumed in the United States in 1938, processed by 49,000 manufacturers and sold by 49,000 grocery stores, General Foods' share of the sales, figured on wholesale costs, was less than 11/2 per cent of the nation's food dollar.

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Florida May Tax Frozen Canned Eggs and Dressed Poultry

At a recent meeting of the Southeastern Chapter of the Association of Refrigerated Warehouses, held in Jacksonville, Fla., an important subject discussed was the proposed Florida tax on frozen canned egg and fresh dressed poultry and frozen poultry, which is expected to be brought before the House when the Legislature meets in April. The State of Florida now has a tax of \$136 per car on eggs that have been in cold storage 15 days, that are shipped into Florida. The new law would also tax frozen canned eggs approximately 1 cent per lb., and dressed poultry, whether frozen or fresh, 4 cents per lb.

"This law if enacted will be detrimental to both eggs and poultry raised in Florida, and some products that are shipped into Florida from other states," C. A. Martin, chairman of the Chapter stated. "A committee was appointed to do what they could towards having this tax forgotten when it comes up, and as it not only concerns cold storage warehouses, we think that the poultry and egg industry should lend every effort possible until the Florida Legislature adjourns in order that such a bill won't pass in that State also see that the present tax on case eggs is eliminated entirely."

Pacific Sea Products Renovates Cold Storage Plant

The Pacifis Sea Products Corp., Astoria, Ore., has put a crew to work renovating the Schmidt cold storage plant, which it purchased from Clatsop County for \$10,000.

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John J. Egan was erroneously given the title of vicepresident of Associated Warehouses, Inc., in the story covering that group's election of officers, appearing in the March issue. Mr. Egan was elected treasurer. He is vice-president of the Seng Waterway Warehouse Co., Chicago.

Central Warehousemen Group of Ill. Annual Meeting June 11-13

The annual meeting of the Central Warehousemen's Association of Illinois will be held June 11 to 13 and the probable city will be Springfield. The Leland Hotel has been tentatively selected. The boards of directors will meet on June 11 at which also a golf tournament and other social events will be held. The last 2 days will be devoted to business sessions.

Cicero Traffic Conference **Favors Traffic Institute**

George M. Stayart, assistant general traffic manager, General Box Co., Chicago, reports that the entire membership of the Clearing Cicero Traffic Conference has gone on record favoring the professionalization of traffic management.

German Lift Vans

The German government has issued regulations requiring that lift vans containing possessions of Jews who are leaving the country for the United States must move on vessels of the trans-Atlantic Conference lines. Last year important shipments of lift vans from Germany came direct to lake ports on tramp vessels.

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fnancier and partner of J. P. Morgan & Co., in the Drexel & Co. affiliate of that house. A three-story "U" shaped laboratory for research work of agricultural experts will be erected on the site. New uses and markets for farm products will be sought. This is one of four such regional enterprises, the others to be at Peoria, Ill., New Orleans, La., and in the San Francisco Bay vicinity. \$4,000,000 has been appropriated for their annual upkeep.

Peerless of America, formerly Peerless Ice Machine Co., Dallas, Tex., has rented a building at 2218 North Harwood, and machinery is being installed which will make fin coils, tubing and other equipment. The plant will commence with 25 employees, a number of whom are highly specialized mechanics to be transferred from Chicago. Harry E. Kritzer, executive of Peerless of America, is in Dallas making arrangements for the branch factory to begin operations.

North Carolina Pulp Co. will build a new unit at its Plymouth, N. C., plant for the manufacture of highgrade, bleached pulp. The concern has taken over the Cherry River Paper Co. at Richwood, W. Va., and for the time being the bleached pulp made at Plymouth will be shipped to Richwood.

0 Norfolk & Western Railway reports that despite depressed business conditions, 158 new plants and additions were established in its territory last year. The new plants and additions involved an outlay of \$17,-254,435 and employed 9482 persons. This compared with 204 industries, 13,321 employees and capital investment of \$22,486,100 for 1937.

Electro Motive Mfg. Co., Inc., Bronx, New York, will move its entire plant to Willimantic, Conn., where large space in a 1-story building has been acquired. The company employs from 350 to 400 in the manufacture of radio parts and equipment.

Agar Mfg. Corp., Whippany, N. J., manufacturer of corrugated boxes and containers, has let general contract for branch plant on Kansas Avenue, Kansas City, Kans. It will consist of three main one-story units for general production, corrugating operations, storage and distributing, respectively; also power house and office structure.

0 0 0 Olympia Veneer Co., Olympia, Wash., plans powerhouse, machineshop and other mechanical departments at new plywood mill at Willamina, Ore., where large tract is being secured. Cost close to \$400,000 with machinery. It will be operated in name of Pacific Plywood Corp., an affiliated interest.

0 0 0 The Mudge Oil Co., oil-producing concern controlling approximately 250 producing wells in Texas and Oklahoma, is moving home offices from Pittsburgh, Pa., to

E. W. Mudge, Jr., vice-president, said that several persons will be brought from Pittsburgh to Dallas to handle the company's business.

The Vitrolite Products Co. has bought the three-story brick building at 914-916 McCarter Highway, Newark, N. J., from the estate of Wm. Gerstley, of Philadelphia. The buyer is a distributor for the Libby-Owens-Ford Glass Co.'s structural and decorative glass products.

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Let's Have a Look at the Big Ten

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"WHEREAS, a movement has been revived for the a ganization of traffic management on a professional basis a establish educational standards and professional safeguar

"BE IT RESOLVED by Phi Alpha Gamma Upsilon to the members and Board of Governors, collectively and a dividually, will lend every possible assistance to give a movement impetus."—Resolution introduced and approximately 1939.

The Phi Alpha Gamma Upsilon Fraternity is com posed of students, alumni and faculty of the School Traffic, Golden Gate College, San Francisco, Cal.

The present status of traffic management places; in the category of halfway trades. Surely, it is time that those engaged in traffic management arouse then selves to action so that their so-called profession wil be developed into a legally recognized full profession

Does this at present halfway trade deserve the same legal recognition accorded the BIG TEN professions

From page 677 of Mohundro's Notes, Pleading, Practice and Procedure, published last year and worthy d a place in every traffic manager's library, I cite the definition of a profession, as prepared by the professional conference of greek letter fraternities:

"1. Be generally recognized by universities and colleges a profession by the creation of courses therein in separate special colleges, departments, or schools, leading up to recognized degrees therein, distinct from the usual general degrees in arts, science, or letters.

"2. Have a recognized code of ethics generally accepted a binding upon the members thereof.

"3. Recognize the duty of public service as binding up e members thereof.

"4. Require principally mental, rather than manual artistic, labor and skill for its successful prosecution."

In previous articles, abundant evidence has been offered to prove that traffic management is worthy of the status accorded the BIG TEN professions, and all traffic managers seem to believe their so-called profession is worthy of this status.

How did the BIG TEN professions obtain their present status? Mr. Hill has ably answered this quetion. Therefore, the only logical answer to the question, traffic managers, do you want to place your profession on the same high plane as those listed as the BIG TEN? If yes, you now know how they got there. Then get busy and "go thou and do likewise."

Members of the BIG TEN professions not only wanted and believed in legal recognition and protection for their professions, as do many traffic managers, but they went after it. They obtained it. This accounts for the difference in the value of a C.P.A. degree and the meaningless self-conferred T.M.

Heed the words of H. Deane Morrow: "Awake ye, awake ye! traffic managers, or forever hold your peace and just keep trudging along diligently, paving the way for an unexperienced and unqualified clerk to fall into your position and profit from your toils and experience.

At the Cleveland convention of the Associated Traffic Clubs of America, the traffic manager of the Chamber of Commerce of a large mid-western city, advised that legal recognition was not necessary for traffic manage ment, and cited reasons against legal recognition, but the following statement gives evidence of a change of

"I am about ready to alter my position that state legislation is the wrong way. Mulling the matter over in my mind, and discussing it with others, has brought me around to a feeling that a statute offers the quickest way to immediate concrete results. In the Michigan legislature at present are bills to make watch repairing and brick laying subject to examination by state boards. We've a fine occupation if we can't do as much for traffic management."

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At the March 23 meeting it was planned to elect officers, an executive committee and to form the constitution and by-laws. At least 50 men are expected to be at the meeting and they will be requested to take five names apiece and have at least three present at a meeting to be held April 6, or soon thereafter.

DandW sincerely hopes that what Mr. Ninas has done will be a pattern for others to follow in other cities where local and state action are needed to promote interest and necessary legislation governing the elevation of traffic management as a profession.

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Sugar delivered to American markets under the quota law totaled 345,466 short tons, raw value, during January, according to the March 9 report of the Department of Agriculture. This compared with 374,-566 short tons in the same month last year.

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as smaller than originally claimed. The other packge, a trunk, was claimed to be the last item given by he depositor for removal. The time of removal was some importance because it was said the trunk ntained valuable silverware which was missing and as kept for last by depositor because it was to be put to a separate vault in the warehouse. The wareouse kept sealed time-clock records in its vans to ord their movements and these were produced on rial and proved conclusively that the van which reoved the trunk was not at depositor's apartment at time stated. Also, records of incoming shipments ept by the warehouse in the order in which items were ceived showed that this trunk was not the last item ent. On receipt by the warehouse, the trunk was namediately tied with cord, sealed, and the number of e seal noted. It was proved that the same seal, not mpered with, was on the trunk at the time claim

The warehouse had information that one of the itnesses expecting to testify for the depositor was an g-convict. He did testify. When asked on cross-examnation if he had ever been incarcerated in Sing Sing rison he denied it. I showed him his rogues' gallery hotograph and he denied it was his photograph. He as a negro and, therefore, difficult to identify. The rime had been committed many years before. He probably thought it would be hard to refute his testiony on short notice. The next morning, we produced n court the officer who arrested him, a finger-print apert from police headquarters to take his prints and mpare them with those on file and his criminal rec-He then admitted his identity.

We were able to produce evidence of two previous laims for loss of property made by this depositor. One of these claims was made in connection with goods which came from the same apartment and on the same date as those in the warehouse.

The testimony for the warehouse showed it was carefully conducted and guarded.

I have touched on some of the highlights in the facts show the great importance of keeping careful records and preparing a case carefully in order to dis-courage claims of this type. The judge and jury must e convinced the warehouse is run carefully. Otherise, they are very likely to feel that the depositor aid for protection and did not get it.

This case raised some important questions of law with reference to the clause on the standard warehouse contract limiting liability to \$50 for each piece or mackage in event of loss. The court held the clause nforcible.

The depositor's attorneys contended that an oppormity must be given a depositor to declare a value of more than \$50 a package on goods deposited, if depositor so desires. This is the law. It was further ntended by depositor's attorneys that the mere fact hat the contract states that an opportunity was given positor to place a higher valuation is not sufficient and that the alternative rates for higher valuations must be shown in the contract. The court held that his was not necessary. I believe this a very imporant point. To avoid possible trouble, warehouses and arriers should place in the contract the alternative ntes for higher valuations.

The depositor also tried to get out of the contract ontending that where a depositor does not read or write English and the contract is read and explained the depositor by a representative of the warehouse, ad the depositor believes and relies on the representalive's reading and explanation of the contract, that the epositor is not bound by the contract if the repreBALTIMORE, MD. [

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sentative misrepresents it. The court stated that the is the law. It did not apply in this case because the depositor received a correct reading and explanation the terms of the contract. A warehouse should be can ful to have depositors read contracts or have the read by their friends or attorneys before signing. As employee of the warehouse or carrier should not rea the contract to the depositor.

Another highly important question was raised on h half of the depositor. It was contended that a verb agreement was made between the warehouse and depositor and goods removed two days before the co tract was signed. It was argued that since the written contract was not made until after removal of the good the verbal contract was binding. The court seemed agree with that position. Fortunately for the ware house, the facts did not show removal of the good before the contract was signed, and, therefore, to court stated the rule didn't apply. It is my opining that a written contract is binding even when signs after the removal of the goods though there has been some verbal understanding prior to removal. Never theless, warehouses and carriers should exercise can and not remove goods before signing of contracts.

The contract stated that the warehouse would not be responsible for more than \$50 for each piece or pack age. Depositor attempted to contend that she had understood that to mean that each piece of silverwan in a separate paper wrapping in the trunk was separate piece or package. The court refused to enter tain that argument. It may be well to explain to depositors and shippers who are not familiar with what a piece or package means.

Operation by warehouses and carriers would be extremely hazardous if contracts limiting liability to \$5 for each package could not be enforced. Yet, this can illustrates how easy it is to evade the contracts. The chief protection against evasion is great care and proence in keeping records and running the business Otherwise, it is only too easy to fall into numerou pitfalls. Sympathy is usually with depositors and shippers because it is felt that warehouses and carrier have a public duty and should use commensurate caution .- Abraham Kadanoff

Mass. Conditional Bill of Sale Law Effective

The Massachusetts Furniture Warehousemen's Assn. at its regular meeting in February at the Engineen Club, Boston, centered its discussion around House Bil No. 119, which the association was successful in place ing in the state books last year. This bill protects the warehouse to a greater extent than heretofore relative to household goods stored which have been purchased under conditional bill of sale.

As this piece of legislation has been the law for only a short time, but few cases as to its workability have been reported. The statute seems to be accepted by the better class furniture houses and to date non of them have refused to comply with its provisions House Bill No. 119 reads as follows:

House Bill No. 119 reads as follows:

"Section thirty-five of chapter two hundred and fifty-five of the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary Eduton, is hereby amended by striking out, in the fifth as sixth lines, the words 'provided, that the property was delivered to the ballee prior to the breach of any condition on the sale or lease' and inserting in place thereof the words:—except that a lien for storage shall not prevall if the property was delivered to the ballee subsequent to the property was delivered to the ballee subsequent to the conditional vendor or lessor or person claiming under himmakes demand in writing on the ballee of the vendee for the property within ninety days from the date of the ballement.—so as to read as follows:—Section 35. As against conditional vendor or lessor, or person claiming under him the lien of a baile of the vendee or lessee or person claiming under him on property exceeding twenty dollar in value, for consideration furnished, without actual notice of the conditional sale or lease, shall prevail; except that a lien for storage shall not prevail if the property was delivered to the bailee subsequent to the breach of any condition of the sale or lease, and if the conditional vendor of lessor or person claiming under him makes demand in writing on the bailee of the vendee for the property within interty days from the date of the bailment."

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The Parade of New Products

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Ecusta Paper Corp., has under construction a \$2,000,000 plant, near Brevard, N. C., to make garette paper from native flax. Nearly all of the high-type cigarette paper is now imported from France, where it is made from wheat straw. The plant is giving employment to more than 400 men, 80 per cent of whom are residents of Brevard. North Carolinians are now boasting that they can give America an all-Tarheel cigarette made completely from homegrown products. Leading cigarette manufacturers have expressed satisfaction with the paper the new company is making, and economists are pointing out that the new plant is representative of the new industrial growth of the South, which utilizes its natural resources and crops as raw materials. 0 .

Church & Dwight Co., New York, has awarded conracts for construction of a sizable addition to its soda products plant at Syracuse, N. Y., to cost more than

0 Penna. Flexible Metallic Tubing Co., will construct an addition of one-story building, 138 by 28 ft., at its plant at 72nd St. & Powers Lane, Philadelphia.

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Texas' first paper mill will be making newsprint from Pine at Lufkin, Tex., the latter part of December, E. L. Kurth, president, Southland Paper Mills, Inc., announces. Coustruction of the plant is progressing rapidly, and by mid-April 400 men will be at work on the structure. The latter part of May the building should be assuming shape. Equipment worth \$2,000,-000 has been ordered, which is about 80 per cent of the amount necessary. Experiments have proved that Texas pine makes a whiter pulp than the newsprint in ordinary use at the present time, and it produces more pounds of dry pulp per cord than spruce. This is the first newsprint mill to be erected since the research of the late Dr. Chas. E. Herty developed a method of utilizing pine for making newsprint.

The Beatrice Creamery Co. has purchased the Blue Valley Creamery Co., and its chain of 14 plants at Chicago, in a transaction which involved about \$650,-000. The sale of the Blue Valley Co. to Beatrice unites two of the oldest creamery firms in the middle west. It has been estimated that sales of Blue Valley ranged from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 annually, while those of Beatrice have averaged around \$60,000,000. No changes are expected to be made in the personnel, with present plans including the retention of the 600 Blue Valley employees.

The merger of Eno Proprietaries, Ltd., and subsidiaries, with Beecham Pills, Ltd., of England is complete, Richard G. Blomfield, Beecham export manager, has announced. Eno controls the Eno "fruit salt" companies operating throughout the world, including the United States. It also owns the Harold Ritchie sales organizations, the Thermogene Co., and Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J. The transaction involves about \$10,000,000, and the physical properties include factories in Canada, the United States and South America.

0 0 The Giacomo Wholesale Grocery Co., Krebs, Okla., recently established a branch house in Sapulpa, Okla. The firm carries a full line of quality groceries, flour and feed, and plans to manufacture and sell wholesale poultry and livestock feed, and a special balanced dairy feed after an original formula by S. D. "Steve" Giacomo, head of the firm. S. D. Giacomo will personally manage the Sapulpa plant.

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Carack Co., Inc., 22 W. 19th St., New York, may ufacturer of electric lamps and lighting fixtures, h leased about 50,000 sq. ft. in building at Bush Termina Third Ave., near 34th St., Brooklyn, for plant.

Bowers Battery Mfg. Co., Reading, Pa., manufac turer of electric storage batteries and parts, is con sidering one-story addition to plant at Spring Valle, near Reading. Cost over \$50,000 with equipment.

Rising Paper Co., Housatonic, Mass., manufactun of bond and other writing papers, has asked bids a general contract for two-story mill addition. Cost over \$80,000 with equipment.

Eastman Kodak Co., Kodak Park, Rochester, N. Y. has let contract for new two-story and basement processing plant at 1013 No. Las Palmas Ave., In Angeles. Cost about \$150,000 with equipment.

Chesapeake-Camp Corp., Franklin, Va., manufacturer of kraft paper stocks, plans 2 one-story addition for expansion in recovery division and for pulp de partment respectively.

Liberty Cherry & Fruit Co., Inc., 2nd & Madison Sts., Covington, Ky., processed fruits, will take bid soon for one-story addition, about 52,000 sq. ft. d floorspace, and improvements in present plant. Cost over \$85,000 with equipment.

Cream of Wheat Corp., Minneapolis, has a new product, a quick cooking cereal that is announced after a 5-yr., \$75,000 research project. The product is called the 5-Minute Cream of Wheat.

Cooperweld Steel Co., Glassport, Pa., has completed substantial expansion of its plant. Additions to buildings and installation of equipment in various departments have materially increased productive capacity of the 21-acre factory.

Penick & Ford, Ltd., 420 Lexington Ave., New York food products, has let general contract for three-ston addition to factory at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Cost about \$125,000 with equipment.

H. J. Heinz Co., 1062 Progress St., Pittsburgh, food packer and canner, plans one and two-story factor, branch, storage and distributing plant at Mulberry k 17th Sts., Harrisburg, Pa. Cost over \$65,000 with equipment.

Emm-An-Cee Co., 645 No. St. Clair Ave., Chicago, manufacturer of food products, has let general contract for new one-story and basement plant at Bloomington and Major Aves. Cost over \$65,000 with equip-

General Foods Corp., plans to erect a four-story brick and concrete building, having a total floor area of 100,000 sq. ft., and costing about \$250,000, as an addition to its extensive plant in Hoboken, N. J. The corporation owns 10 acres which it purchased from the Lackawanna R. R. The additional building will be used for the manufacture of cans and containers for its many coffee products, and the daily output is expected to reach 400,000 cans. The building will be ready for occupancy about Aug. 1.

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He states that "production on the Gulf Coast, from Beaumont, Tex., to Gainesville, Fla., this year will amount to about 8,000,000 lbs. The country will need probably 140,000,000 lbs. From China, the principal source of supply in the past, we may expect only a dribble this year. Indications are that there will be a shortage of tung oil, and the shortage may be severe."

Picayune, Miss., is one of the tung production centers on the Gulf Coast.

Sears Roebuck Co. Extends

Sears Roebuck Co. plans contruction of a three-story building on a site in the business section of Nashua, N. H., purchased recently by the Amoskeag Realty Co. The mail order concern has taken a long-term lease.

Use of Trade Name Restrained by Cal. Court

Use of the trade name "Beacon Furniture Warehouse" has been restrained by Judge Minot Moore of the California Superior Court, in a suit brought by Bekins Van & Storage Co., Los Angeles, against Beacon Furniture Warehouse.

The court pointed out that it is not necessary to prove fraudulent intent in such cases, and by reason of the similarity of the word "Beacon" to the word "Bekins," as well as by reason of the use of the word "Warehouse" in connection with the words "Beacon Furniture," the said name adopted by the defendant is likely to be confused with the trade name and corporate name of the plaintiff company, and to result in misleading the furniture buying public to patronize the defendant under the mistaken belief that the plaintiffs were being patronized.

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N. Y. State Bills Defeated

The Austin Bill, which would prohibit charges by warehouses for labor when access is had to goods, also when goods are brought to or taken from the warehouse by outside trucks, has been definitely defeated in Committee at Albany.

Similar information with respect to the Cheney Bill, prohibiting use of highways on week-ends to

trucks, has been received.

Camden (N. J.) Refrigerator and Terminals Co. Formed

Formation of a new company to be called the Camden Refrigerator & Terminals Co., and the issuance of a new mortgage to provide approximately \$250,000, were announced as provisions of a plan approved March 17 in Camden, N. J., by Federal Judge John Boyd Avis, in the reorganization of the bankrupt \$2,500,000 Camden Rail & Harbor Terminal Corp. Court approval of the plan, as suggested by trustees, was reported to virtually end litigation pending since September, 1932, when the company was declared bankrupt.

Officers and directors of the new company to serve pending election of permanent directors by stockholders were named by Judge Avis as follows: president, Andrew J. Brown, Perwood, Pa.; vice-president, Frederick Cohen, Merchantville, N. J.; secretary, Collier B. Sparger, Scarsdale, N. Y.; treasurer, William E. Manners, Wenonah, N. J.; directors, Andrew J. Brown, Frederick Cohen, Collier B. Sparger; Samuel Cooke, Elkins Park, Pa., and Percy Ingalls, Orange, N. J.

The plan had been accepted by more than two-thirds of each class of bondholders, and more than 50 per cent of the stockholders. The confirmation order as drafted was approved by the Securities & Exchange Commission.

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George Winkler, Jr., Heads Rug Cleaners Institute

At a recent 2-day convention of the Rug Cleans Institute of America, Inc., revived after a lapse of yrs., by representatives of the industry, George Willer, Jr., treasurer and manager of John Winkler's Sm Inc., Far Rockaway, N. Y., was elected president.

A governing board composed of nine regional via presidents also was chosen by the delegates, who a thorized the body to arrange for a headquarters a employment of a salaried executive. The regional via presidents are as follows: P. Sunderland, Baltimo M. Nahigian, Chicago; L. M. Trudell, Detroit; I. Jehrehin, Philadelphia; W. V. Haas, Hartford; R. Pyle, District of Columbia; W. H. Kieswetter, Clere land; E. Hanrahan, Boston, and H. A. Gross, Es Newark, N. J.

The national organization is expected to devote a tention mainly to research and to problems of plan operation.

Morris H. Landau, manager of the delivery ground of the National Retail Dry Goods Assn., advised the cleaners to adopt a consolidated pick-up and deliver service in metropolitan areas, stating that such a step would save cooperating members at least 10 per cen on costs.

Protest Pulp Storage at New York

The Association of American Woodpulp Importen has protested to the import committee of the eastern trunk lines that the storage rate at New York of 54 cents per 100 lbs. for the first 30 days or fraction thereof would prove burdensome to the woodpulp trade It was pointed out that the 51/2 cents storage rate applies on general merchandise whereas woodpulp is much cheaper commodity, one that only can be had from the Baltic during the open season of navigation. Thus it is necessary that large quantities be shipped ahead of the winter season.

Effective as of April 1 eastern trunk lines will amend the New York harbor lighterage tariffs by cancelling special storage charges which have been applicable on imported woodpulp, crude rubber and clay in bulk. As of that date the standard schedule of storage charges will apply in compliance with findings of the I.C.C. in the ex-parte 104, part VI, case. In its decision, the I.C.C. ordered the rails serving the New York harbor to cease providing storage facilities at less than actual cost.

Before April 1, woodpulp at New York was granted storage at a rate of 17 cents per 2,000 lbs. for the first 30 days and 51/2 cents per 2,000 lbs. for each succeeding period of 10 days. On crude rubber the first 30-day storage charge has been 1% cents per 100 lbs. with a further charge of ½ cent per 100 lbs. for each succeeding 10-day period. On import clay in bulk a storage charge of 21/4 cents per 100 lbs. or 45 cents per 2,000 lbs. has been charged for the first 10 days with an additional charge of 1 cent per 100 lbs. or 20 cents per 2,000 lbs. for each succeeding 10 days.

From April 1 on the storage charges on these commodities will be 51/2 cents per 100 lbs. for the first 30 days or fraction thereof and 1% cents per 100 lbs. for each succeeding 30 days or fraction thereof.

The carriers have indicated to the woodpulp importers that for the present they are without specific data as to the cost of providing storage for import woodpulp at New York. Accountants have been at work

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making cost studies and not until these are completed will it be known whether lower rates can be applied. The rails intend making the rates lower, if it is possible

The woodpulp importers have indicated that it is necessary for them to maintain storage stocks in order to be able to supply spot orders in competition with mills in Canada, southern United States and on the Pacific Coast. Under present rules, if the import woodpulp leaves possession of the rail carrier, the import rail rate cannot be applied when shipped to the consuming points.

It is stated that the eastern trunk lines import committee has been quietly but actively considering development of a rule where import rates would be made applicable on import cargo stored in private warehouses. The present rule limits import rates to cargo which has not left the possession of the rail carrier.

Business-Consumer Relations Conference June 5 and 6

A get-together of leaders of business, consumer, educational and government groups will be held under the guidance of the National Association of Better Business Bureaus at the Hotel Statler, Buffalo, N. Y., June 5 and 6. This conference is scheduled to plan realistic programs of cooperation in regard to advertising and selling practices beneficial to both business and the consumer. The first day will cover the following sub-jects, "What Consumers Want" and "What Educators Are Doing." The second day's topics will be "What Government Is Doing" and "What Business Is Doing." Those who wish to register can do so by writing the National Association of Better Business Bureaus, 80 Summer St., Boston.

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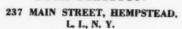
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The Story of Quick Freezing

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country. Hotel and restaurant buyers are more price-minded than label-minded. They will not pay a pre-mium for a particular brand of spinach coming a great distance if local packs of equal quality are available. For a number of individual packers the necessity to create their own market is imperative. For such there is hope in the cooperative marketing idea which the Pacific Egg Producers Cooperative has developed to a high degree under the "Pep" Brand. The barest out-line of unpredictable trends in distribution are visible at the moment.

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General opinion in the quick-freezing and refrigerating industry and among food growers and distributors is that major problems, both past and present, are those of marketing rather than of production. Information available to the industry at large shows that technical problems for a wide range of products have already been solved by operating concerns, equipment manufacturers and governmental or scientific laboratories.

Promotion of sales to retail consumers has been difficult, because of necessity for:

- Overcoming popular prejudice against foods that have

- been frozen;
 2. Education as to quality offered, compared to usual varieties of fresh and canned produce;
 3. Education as to relative cost per portion served;
 4. Education as to proper methods of cooking and serving;
 5. Securing adequate number of retail outlets;
 6. Providing retailers with low temperature display or three cases:
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 Overcoming antagonism of butchers and green grocers;
 Devising channels for low-cost and prompt distribution from warehouses to retailers;
 Securing revision of antiquated "cold storage" laws and regulations in some localities.

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The 1937 season proved that frozen foods could be sold to the middle class market. Lately this class has been somewhat indifferent to certain brands, partly be cause of economic reasons, but in the main from cause which the distributors themselves have created in rush to expand markets beyond ability to cultivate Proof of this lies in a study of brand sales during the past several months, showing increases on the one hand and declines on the other. The inescapable conclusion is that inexperienced management is responsible for the decline affecting those brands which skyrocketed into fame last year on the tail of Birdseye's ascending kite. Nevertheless, the packer who is honestly proud of his quality and will embark on a program to create consumer acceptance of the idea that there is actual economy and better living in the widespread consumption of his brand is assured a profitable, increasing market for his products.

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What advice can be given to a cold storage business which intends to adopt, entirely or in part, the new method of quick-freezing?

It would not be wise to suggest to such an enterprise that it change to quick-freezing, as long as all pros and cons of this innovation are not yet carefully and surely studied. And even if this were so, when the

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enterprise would come to the conclusion that it ought adopt quick-freezing for the sake of business (to eet the demand of the market), it would be justified n risking only a small investment for the installation a small quick-freezing system for experimental puroses, for approximately 12-18 months.

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Ohio Valley Carloadings Will Increase 15.4%

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Carloadings in the Ohio Valley will increase 15.4 er cent in the second quarter of this year according to figures compiled March 14 by the Ohio Valley Transortation Advisory Board.

The requirements are prepared quarterly for the Asciation of American Railroads so that car equipment sing can be readied to handle the volume. Major shippers presenting 30 classes of commodities prepare figures ased on production schedules. Carload requirements evealed at this meeting are widely considered an curate business barometer because the middle-west is typical cross section of the country's enterprise. Estimates have been for many years within about one per cent of actual shipments.

During the second quarter of '39 carloadings were et at 534,709 as against 467,443 last year. Greatest ncreases were in agricultural implements and vehicles, 81.4 per cent; lime and plaster, 42.5 per cent; lumber, 40 per cent. Only four of the 30 commodity groups howed decreases: hay, straw and alfalfa, and livetock, each -10 per cent; flour, meal and mill products, 1 per cent; fertilizers, 4.7 per cent

A. M. Stephens, traffic manager of the Standard Oil Co., Louisville, is general chairman of the Advisory Board and N. S. Worrell, American Zinc Oxide Sales Co., Columbus, is chairman of the executive board.

Ohio Furniture Group Endorses Rate Regulation

The Ohio Furniture Warehousemen's Assn. in its annual meeting at Columbus, March 5 and 6, voted and orsement of House Bill No. 453 known as the Bartell Bill which would place rates and regulation of household goods transportation under the State Public Utilities Commission.

The measure was introduced in the House of Repesentatives of the State General Assembly with the consorship of the Ohio Association of Commercial Haulers and the Furniture warehousemen. In committee it was amended to include a specific definition of household goods as defined in the Burbank tariff. ommittee reported favorably on the proposed measure and it is awaiting a hearing on the floor of the House. Informed circles predict its passage by both houses at this session.

The bill provides that "In addition to the authority other-tise conferred, the public utilities commission of Ohio is been by vested with power and authority to institute and con-must a full investigation into the matter of the rates and factices of motor transportation companies in connection with the transportation of household goods over irregular to the household goods over irregular to the household goods over irregular to the household goods over irregular t

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Harry Sain, safety division of the State Industria Commission, spoke on "Safety Provisions"; he Snetzer, Interstate Commerce Commission, bureau motor vehicles, told of the "Interstate Commission and Hours of Service"; Thomas O'Shaughnessy, Unem ployment Compensation Commission, discussed "T employment Compensation."

The Warehousemen reelected three directors: L Roller, Lakewood Storage, Inc., Cleveland; W. C. Bu bank, Burbank-Barbe Cartage Co., Warren, and P.J. Herbert, Wm. Herbert & Son Co., Youngstown.

The board of directors reelected these officers: Prei dent, Ed H. Lee, H. C. Lee & Sons Co., Toledo; vie-president, A. B. Compton, Jr., Lincoln Storage (a Dayton; treasurer, A. H. Naish, "Al" Naish Moving Storage Co., Cincinnati; and secretary, L. A. Roller Lakewood Storage, Inc., Cleveland.

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(Since the foregoing was written, we regret to asnounce the sudden death of L. A. Roller, secretary the O.F.W.A., on March 29.-Ed.)

Pillar Rock Cannery, Astoria, Ore. Reopens

The Pillar Rock Cannery of the New England Fin Co., at Astoria, Ore., has been reopened for a run or albacore tuna packing.

The cannery will establish a \$10,000 cold storage plant to handle the halibut and cod trade, and the erpanding tuna business. Upwards of 1,000,000 lbs. wen handled last season, which has induced the company to enlarge its facilities.

Columbia River Packing Builds **New Cold Storage Plant**

The Columbia River Packing Assn. is erecting fourdation for its new cold storage plant at Astoria, On The lower Columbia is getting ready for the greatest fishing and packing season since David Hume put w the first salmon in tins at Eagle Cliff in 1866. Storage facilities will be more than doubled, and will permi packing of tuna from late summer until next April

Installation of new machinery for processing tuna addition to salmon will be started soon on the company's Elmore cannery.

Corner Expressman Disappearing

The corner expressman is disappearing from the streets of Denver, Colo., according to a recent survey. This means that with changing times that phase of the transfer business is also experiencing a change A decade ago more than 600 expressmen had their stands in downtown Denver. Today, that number has dwindled to 50, the survey shows. The change is being brought about by the fact that nowadays if a chair, \$ load of books or the laundry has to be moved, people either take it themselves in their automobile, or there is some service maintained to take care of the errands

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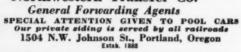
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Other cities have industrial centers, but in most cases they are enterprises that require the purchase of plots of ground, on which new buildings are erected at high cost, which cost must be passed on to the tenants of such centers, while at Milwaukee all of the land on which the buildings are located, as well as most of the buildings themselves, have been owned and paid for for many years. It just happened that the original plants were located on such excellent transportation sites, making it possible to receive and ship material and finished product by rail, steamship (through the Great Lakes) and by motor truck. If a more ideal location for such a center is available, it has not been found by the present writer.

Perky Brothers Opens at Peoria, Ill.

The Perky Brothers Transfer and Storage Co., Kansas City, Mo., has taken space in the Federal Warehouse building in Peoria, Ill., as part of an expansion program.

Jerome D. Ullman, secretary of the Federal Warehouse company, said that the Perky company has contracted for space in the Peoria warehouse and that a manager for the local branch of the company would be Illnois incorporation papers of the firm name J. E. Perky of Kansas City as president and George Leinweber, Kansas City, as secretary. Capitalization is for \$50,000 and allows the company to acquire grounds for the erection of warehouses and to do a general warehouse business.

Garrett Transfer, Pocatello. Plans New Warehouse

The Garrett Transfer & Storage Co., Pocatello, Idaho. announces plans for construction of a reinforced concrete warehouse and motor freight terminal adjacent to present quarters on South First Ave., according to J. F. Bryson, secretary and treasurer of the company. Work on the new building was scheduled to begin about March 1.

The structure will cost about \$50,000, and will be 90 by 105 ft. in size, according to plans, having two floors above the basement providing for 28,000 sq.ft. of additional storage space. Features in the plans include an auto ramp from the street level to the first floor, freight elevators of improved modern design, and conveniently located conveyor chutes, as well as a private railroad siding to accommodate 3 railroad cars at a time.

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In addition to the new warehouse, authorized expenditures for the current year will include remodeling and enlarging the Pocatello office, at a cost of about \$5,000, improvement of terminals at Idaho Falls to cost \$10,000, and additions to the rolling stock, orders for which have already been placed to the amount of \$100,000.

Mr. Bryson stated that "this program of expansion for the current year exemplifies our faith in the community and in the future stability of the motor carrier industry."

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The company has been manufacturing cellophane wrapping of casein on a considerable scale, at its plant near Chicago. Sales of the wrapping for Kraft cheeses have been arranged, and additions to the plant are being constructed.

The output of synthetic products from casein is limited. Only about 60,000,000 lbs. of casein are produced annually in the United States. Nearly all of this is used in paint, plastics, coating paper and other products. Any important new consumption that is developed would, it is stated, have a major effect on the price of casein.

About 3 lbs. of casein can be produced from 100 lbs. of skimmed milk.

Rawlinson Heads Ontario Movers Assn.

At the annual meeting of the Ontario Movers Assn., recently held, M. A. Rawlinson, M. Rawlinson, Ltd., Toronto, was elected president. Other officers elected were C. F. Basil Tippet, Tippet-Richardson, Ltd., Toronto, vice-president; Arch. McDougall, McDougall the Mover, Hamilton, treasurer; Fred May, secretary.

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branches materially, nearly all of this increase being at the expense of the wholesalers.

In the Petroleum and Coal Products industry group sales through manufacturers own wholesale branches, largely represented by the sale of petroleum products through refinery owned bulk tank stations, increased materially. There was a considerable lessening in the importance of manufacturer owned retail stores in this group also. Wholesalers held their own.

In the Rubber Products industry group direct sales to industrial users and to retailers declined with the difference being taken up by an increase in sales direct to the manufacturers' own retail stores.

In the Leather and Its Manufactures group we again and wholesale outlets declining in importance with an increase in direct sales to retail outlets and to industrial users.

The Stone, Clay, and Glass Products industry group is one of those where the wholesale outlets have suffered a considerable loss in importance, comparing their use in 1935 with 1929. The loss in sales to wholesalers is made up in this industry group by a large increase in the amount of sales passing through manufacturers' own wholesale branches and in direct sales to retailers.

In the Iron and Steel and Their Products industry the wholesalers again are shown as being of less and less importance, with a large increase in sales to manufacturers' own wholesale branches accounting for the decreasing importance of the traditional wholesale

The Nonferrous Metals and Their Products group shows another interesting decline in the importance of wholesalers with the loss being almost entirely accounted for in the increase of direct sales by manufacturing plants to industrial users.

In the Machinery industry group the importance of the wholesalers again declined and the importance of manufacturers' own wholesale branches again inresead

In the field of Transportation Equipment it is interesting to note that wholesalers practically held their own as between 1935 and 1929. But in this field there was a slight increase in the use of manufacturers' own wholesale branches accounted for by corresponding loss in sales made direct to industrial users.

The only group of industries where we find wholesalers increasing in importance as primary channels of distribution is that known as Miscellaneous—a catchall classification in which such individual industries are included as: Artificial Flowers, Beauty Shop Equipment, Brushes and Brooms, Cigars and Cigarettes, Fur Goods, Jewelry, Musical Instruments and others.

The discussion so far very graphically brings out the most important changes that have taken place in mass distribution in recent times. For the decline in the importance of the wholesaler and jobber and the increase in the importance of manufacturers' own wholesale branches and sales by manufacturers direct to retailers must be manifest.

This shift in the importance of certain primary channels of distribution goes back to something to which I drew your attention at Atlantic City in 1936. I pointed out to you that manufacturers were seriously concerned at that time, and had been for some time previously, over the fact that wholesalers were not carrying the stock that they had in the past. I think that the comparison of channels of distribution used in 1935 and those used in 1929 show one of the results of the handto-mouth wholesale buying policy. I also pointed out to you that wholesalers were not then doing the selling job that they had in the past, and this other reason for the declining importance of the wholesaler has its part in the comparison I have just made. We find man-

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ufacturers tending to use their own wholesale branches to a greater extent in 1935 than in 1929. Through these branches they can operate and control their own selling activities. Also, direct sales to retailers by manufacturing plants is shown to have increased.

Now what does all this mean to warehousing? 1 can only see one result, and that is more business for the public warehousing industry of the country. If manufacturers are to improve distribution conditions they are going to have to assume many of the wholesale functions for which they are now paying through their wholesale discounts, but for which they are getting less in return than they have in the past. Within the past year, a number of national distributors have indicated to me that they definitely see a change in distribution with a more direct contact between the final consumer and the manufacturer. Just two examples will show what I mean. (1) A large stove company is at the present time formulating plans in a number of different cities throughout the country which will more or less supplant wholesaler set-ups. This is largely due to the fact that once their products are in the hands of wholesalers the manufacturer's entire sales and distribution set-up becomes very rigid and inflexible. (2) Since the first of the year a large manufacturer of electrical appliances has eliminated three hundred consigned stocks formerly held by wholesalers throughout the country and has gone into public warehouses with spot stocks at from thirty to forty major marketing centers from which they can ship overnight to any wholesaler in the United States. This change eliminates the tremendous inventory losses from the consigned stocks which, spread all over the country as they were, became more or less fixed and could not be reshipped with any convenience.

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But suppose manufacturers accept the situation and prepare to carry stocks closer and closer to points of effective consumption. Does this mean that wholesalers will be forced out of the picture entirely? My answer is no. As I see the future development of wholesaling the individual wholesale organizations, at least in most trades, will have to become more and more sales and credit organizations and less warehousing organizations. Wholesalers themselves have indicated this trend by passing the stock-carrying burden back to the manufacturer more and more. In most trades it will, however, be impossible to force the wholesaler entirely out of the picture, as most manufacturers will not find it advisable to set up the organizations, the inventories and the personnel to handle piecemeal fill-in shipments to retail stores. This will mean though that wholesalers will be able to do business in less space, they will not have the overhead of storage space-dead value most of the time—and they can operate with less expense. This may mean a readjustment of wholesale discounts in certain lines, because for these products today the wholesalers are being paid too much for what they do in distribution.

I am firmly convinced that the changes in mass distribution which have, and are taking place, will make the warehousing industry reach a stage where it will assume a position of even greater importance in the distribution phase of industry. It is the task of the

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14-Cent Blackstrap Rate by Illinois Central

Still another frontal attack on water competition has been made by the Illinois Central Railroad through docketing with the Southern Freight Assn. of a proposal to establish a 14-cent per 100 lbs. rate on blackstrap molasses in tank cars shipped from New Orleans to Peoria and Pekin, Ill. The proposal would be applicable only on minimum shipments of forty carloads. Inasmuch as a tank car of blackstrap molasses usually averages 94,000 lbs., the forty-carload minimum requirement would involve single shipments of 1,880 tons in order to secure the proposed rate.

Around March 1 the Illinois Central submitted to the Southern Freight Assn. and the Illinois Freight Assn. a proposal to make rates 1 cent per 100 lbs. higher than those of the Federal Barge Lines on grains for export when shipped from St. Louis, Havana, Pekin and Peoria. These proposed rates were to be applicated to the strength of th able against the minimum quantities required by the barge lines. The blackstrap proposal is expected to meet sharp opposition from consumers of this com11, 1981

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modity whose requirements rarely exceed one or two carloads at a time.

The present carload rate from New Orleans, Gulfport and Mobile to Peoria and Pekin is 171/2 cents. The opposition of consumers is claimed to be based on the ground that the forty-carload minimum requirement would restrict use of the proposed 14-cent rate to only one consumer.

Last July the I.C.C. granted 4th section authority to the various north and south carriers permitting maintenance of a 171/2-cent rate on blackstrap molasses in tank car loads from the gulf ports, to Peoria and Pekin. The normal rate had been 30 cents but transit privileges accorded to certain solvents manufactured from the inbound product had the effect of reducing the rate to 171/2 cents. The solvent producer is the owner of a towboat and eight tank barges and to obviate this water competition the I.C. put in its 171/2-cent transit arrangements. The I.C.C. found that this rate as covered by a transit arrangement benefitted only a single consumer and constituted an unreasonable practice. The solvents company then worked out an arrangement with the Federal Barge Line that fixed a towing rate of 14 cents, using the solvent barges. In view of these factors the I.C.C. allowed a 4th section departure by the maintenance of a 171/2-cent rate.

Rails Could Save \$500,000,000

The consolidation of America's railroads into either seven or nineteen big systems, as has been at times proposed, will wait until the public at large shakes off its apathy toward the railroad problem and actually demands it, asserted Shelby Cullom Davis, economist and treasurer of Delaware Fund, Inc., in a recent address on the "Financial Aspects of Railroad Consolidation," before the American Statistical Society.

Said the speaker: "Savings of close to \$500,000,000 annually might be effected if seven big trunk line systems were set up. But this would displace 200,000 workers and hence labor now opposes it. If pensions of \$1,000 annually were paid to displaced workers, as much as \$300,000,000 annually could be saved and this would be sufficient to put the railroads on their financial feet."

Raw Silk Traffic

Traffic managers of the transcontinental railroads, in a recent meeting held in Chicago, were informed by raw silk importers that their proposal to reduce the rate on this commodity, also when spun or thrown, on shipment from Pacific ports to Atlantic seaboard destinations, from the present basis of \$9.90 to \$6.60 per 100 lbs., and quantity, for passenger train service would not prove effective in recapturing the traffic.

The recent firming of raw silk prices and shortage of some grades in the New York market has increased rail movement from the West Coast to the eastern destinations but without the eastern railroads sharing in the expanded volume. The demand for prompt delivery of raw silk has prompted the eastern importers to utilize combinations of service and rates which exclude the eastern carriers. Silk has been forwarded to New York by rail to Gulf ports and thence by water carriers. Recenty an important tonnage of raw silk was moved from the West Coast to Chicago at the passenger train rate of \$4.40, and thence forwarded to New York by consolidated carload service at a rate of \$1.62 per 100 lbs. or a combination of \$6.02, the carloading service making a New York delivery on the seventh morning out of the West Coast.

The availability of the rail-water combination through the Gulf and the railroad consolidated carload service through Chicago has made the existing \$9.90 passenger train rate from the Pacific Coast to New York wholly ineffective. The transcontinental carriers were informed that the proposed reduction from \$9.90 to \$6.60





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In 1936, when all-rail rate of \$4.11 per 100 lbs. was available, over 60,000 bales of raw silk were shipped east of Chicago by passenger trains. In 1937, when at the insistence of the eastern carriers the through rail rate was increased to \$6.11, only 7,000 bales were handled. In 1938, when the eastern carriers declared that they would not concur in a through rate of less than \$9.90, less than 200 bales were transported.

Traffic Club Elections

At the annual meeting of the Galveston Traffic and Foreign Trade Club, J. B. Leyendecker, traffic manager, Texas Star Flour Mills, was elected president, succeeding Paul N. Haskell. Other officers elected were B. C. Duble, first vice-president; J. L. Somers, second vice-president, and G. Z. Koenig, reelected secretary and treasurer. Directors were A. W. Dunham, E. R. Anders, P. E. Chimene, Jr., H. S. Block.

The following officers have been elected by the Traffic Club of Denver: president, R. P. Newman, general agent New York Central lines; first vice-president, W. F. Kiesler, traffic manager Purina Mills; second vice-president, J. M. Bylsma, traffic manager Western Weighing & Inspection Bureau; secretary - treasurer, E. F. O'Shea, re-elected. Board of directors: J. E. Bolin, general agent Southern Pacific Co.; Frank Russell, traffic manager Denver Dry Goods Co.; H. Morrison, city freight agent Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Ry. Co.; George Kief, chief rate clerk Santa Fe Ry.; R. E. Chalk, traffic manager Mine & Smelter Supply Co.

At the annual meeting of the Junior Traffic Club of Chicago, the following officers were elected: president, John Middleton, traffic manager Pioneer Paper Stock Co.; vice-president, L. B. Freeman, chief clerk Grand Trunk-Canadian National Ry.; secretary, Wm. Noorlag, Jr., assistant traffic director Chicago Assn. of Commerce; treasurer, Jack Zorn, clerk, Chicago & North Western Ry. Directors were Ray DeGroote. Luckenbach Lines; E. T. Hayes, Container Corp. of America; B. M. McNally, W. H. Barber Co.; J. E. Paulan, Acme Steel Co.; L. T. Swanson, Burlington

W. C. Douglas, assistant general traffic manager of the New York Central System, has been nominated for the presidency of the Traffic Club of Chicago. Others whose names have been placed before the Club by the nominating committee are: first vice-president, E. R. Gustafson, traffic manager Universal Atlas Cement Co.; second vice-president, W. Haywood, freight traffic manager, Illinois Central R. R.; third vice-president, A. H. Schwietert, assistant traffic director, Chicago Association of Commerce; secretary, D. W. C. Becker, director, traffic management department, La Salle Extension University; treasurer, R. J. Wallace, traffic manager, Jacques Mfg. Co.

Directors named to serve for 2 yrs. are as follows: J. H. Burke, general manager, Chicago Tunnel Transport Co.; R. W. Campbell, manager, traffic department, Butler Paper Corp., the retiring president; A. D. Davis, vice-president in charge of traffic, Keeshin Motor Express Co., Inc.; W. J. Williamson, general traffic manager, Sears, Roebuck & Co.

W. R. Cox, freight traffic manager of the Penna. R. R., and S. L. Felten, general traffic manager of Acme Steel Co., have been nominated for 1-yr. terms

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Waterways and Terminals

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courses and with handicaps based on the maritime ratings of the boats. The date proposed is April 22. The challenge is also being sent to the mayors of river towns on the several rivers mentioned. It is hoped that prizes will be offered by both the New York and San Francisco World's Fairs. S. Schell, acting executive director of the Maritime Commission has been invited to act as handicapper.

Huge Tin Plate Order

RICHARD THOMAS & CO., Cardiff, Wales, has booked an order for five million boxes (250,000 tons) of tin plate for delivery to the Canadian plants of the American Can Co. The order calls for regular shipments over the next five yrs.

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m HE}$ Department of Docks and Terminals is the name of the successor to the Alabama State Docks Commission.

Gov. Frank E. Dixon of Alabama makes the statement that the Mobile foreign trade zone from its inception up to recent decision to secure cancellation of the foreign trade zone authorization had a gross revenue of \$1.32 as against expenses of \$59,632.

Ohio's Water Front

OHIO has a navigable water front of 666 miles. The course of the Ohio River along the southern border is 436 miles, while the lake shore of the state is 230 miles.

Remoulding of I.C.C. Involves **Waterway Regulation**

A REMOULDING of the Interstate Commerce Commission in personnel and practices, involving regulation of water carriers along the same lines as rail and motor transportation, has been proposed in Congress by Senator Clyde M. Reed, newly elected Republican from the State of Kansas.

Reed's bill (S. 1660) takes steps in the direction of ending government competition with carriers by providing that regulation imposed upon water carriers shall be no more stringent than that affecting government-owned shipping facilities.

As analyzed by American Trucking Associations, the proposed legislation shapes up as follows:

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"Although the shake-up in the Commission would elimited by the administrative division would be authorized to establish a Motor Carrier Bureau, as well as a rail and water carrier bureau, the administrative functions of which would be determined by the administrative division.

"The I.C.C. would be authorized to prescribe minimum rates for any and all common or contract carriers by rail, highway, water, pipe line or air when, after a hearing, it found such rates were unreasonably low. In prescribing minimum rates, the Commission would be directed to consider, among other things, the economic advantages of the Transportation under investigation so that such advantages may be preserved and developed to meet the needs of commerce, and the 'undesirability, in the public interest, of permitting carriers to make rates equal to or less than the cost of performing the service, where the rates are competitive,

"The proposed Transportation Planning Board, to be com-

petitive.

"The proposed Transportation Planning Board, to be composed of three members appointed by the I.C.C., would be charged with cooperating with the Commission in carrying out a general policy of strengthening the nation's transportation system by eliminating sources of waste and weakness and by utilizing each type of transportation in the most

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"If after an investigation, the I.C.C. found that any of the provisions of the Act were unduly burdensome upon any or all these water carriers, and, at the same time, were not required in the public interest, it could provide for exemptions."

Puerto Rican Service Abandonment Called Unlawful

The abandonment by steamship lines of service from Atlantic and Gulf ports to Puerto Rican outports was described as "unlawful" by Examiner John A. Russell of the U.S. Maritime Commission in a report in which he added that steamship companies had not justified rate increases which became effective Sept. 21.

Examiner Russell's report was described by E. H. Thornton, general manager, New Orleans Joint Traffic Bureau, as a "preliminary victory" for the port of New Orleans in its effort, in cooperation with shippers who had been using New Orleans as an outlet to Puerto Rican outports, to have the commission countermand the cancellation by lines out of the Gulf of joint through oceanfreight rates to Puerto Rican outposts while such rates remained in effect out of New York

The rate increases, which in most instances did not exceed 15 per cent, in some cases amounted to as much as 60 per cent. The rates affected a large number of commodities, including flour, rice, machinery and fire-

Addition to Fjell Line Fleet

THE latest addition to the fleet of Fjell Line steamers which operate directly between Europe and the Great Lakes, the Harpefjell, recently passed her trials at Oslo, Norway, maintaining a speed of 13.04 knots. This vessel will join the Ornefjell, Ravnefjell and Taborfjell, built last year; the Tindefjell, Carmelfjell, Rutenfjell, and Svanefjell, built in 1937; and the Glitrefjell, commissioned in 1934, in maintaining the line's regular speedy freight service.

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E. Lee Holden, Cleveland manager of Steamship Agencies, Inc., representative of the Fjell Line, announced the company's schedule from Detroit and Cleveland, as well as other lake ports, for the 1939 season of navigation will be fortnightly to and from London, Antwerp and Rotterdam, and every 3 weeks to Liverpool, Manchester, Oslo, and returning via Bergen and Stavanger.

New Oranje Line Vessels

OMPLETION of the new Oranje Line vessel Prins C Willem II has just been announced at Rotterdam. The Prins Willem II is a sistership of the Prins Maurits, Prins Frederik Hendrik and Prins Willem van Oranje and has a tonnage of 1,304 gross registered tons, 728 net registered tons and a deadweight capacity of 2,500 metric tons, her cubic being 168,000 cu. ft. grain and 155,500 cu. ft. bale. The ship measures 258 ft. in length, has a breadth of 42 ft. and a depth of 16 ft. 9 in. The ship's trials took place in January with complete success, attaining a speed of 131/2 knots.

Now under construction is the new motor vessel Prins Willem III, somewhat larger than her sisterships, which will make her the largest ocean steamer ever to come into the Great Lakes. The expected speed of the Prins Willem III will be between 14 and 15 knots.

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Heavy Movement of Ore on Great Lakes Expected

A GOOD year for Great Lakes shipping appeared in prospect following reports that an ore movement of between 40,000,000 and 45,000,000 tons was probable during 1939.

The Columbia Steamship Co. announced it would start its entire fleet of thirteen ships. The Pittsburgh Steamship Co. is ready to start 64 of its 79 ships, a survey reported.

Opposition to Trade-In Ship **Building Plan**

Representatives of many coastwise steamship lines, at a recent meeting at the American Merchant Marine Institute, Inc., 11 Broadway, New York, were reported to have expressed keen disappointment at the United State Maritime Commission's recommendations to Congress for rehabilitating coastwise and intercoastal shipping by accepting old tonnage in part payment for new ships.

It is understood many of the operators held that the proposals for aiding the domestic lines did not go far enough in overcoming the handicaps of high shipbuilding cost in the United States, and that a more liberal policy must be adopted before they could begin replacing vessels.

In its report to Congress the commission flatly opposed any construction or operating subsidy for coastwise lines, but suggested that the law be amended so the Government could evaluate an old ship and hold in escrow an amount equal to such valuation. An operator, by depositing cash sufficient, with the trade-in allowance, to equal 25 per cent of the cost of the proposed replacement, could, under the amendment, borrow the remaining 75 per cent from the commission and build a new ship.

Several coastal operators stated that American companies engaged in foregn trade not only receive an operating subsidy but a shipbuilding subsidy as well. In the case of the United States liner America, now under construction at Newport News, the Government is paying one-third of the cost to help the company overcome the lower shipbuilding cost of foreign com-

At no time have operators in domestic trade been able to obtain direct subsidies from the Government, as it has been held that the operators receive indirect aid through the shipping laws which prohibit foreign vessels from engaging in coastal service.

It is understood that, if the Maritime Commission's proposals are introduced as bills, the coastwise operators will oppose them and urge a more liberal policy at hearings before the Senate Commerce Committee and the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

Trinity River Opening

THE Liberty, Texas, Chamber of Commerce are celebrating the opening of navigation from Houston Ship Channel completed to Liberty. This is the project that will eventually, when completed, connect Dallas and Forth Worth with the Gulf.

The canalized Trinity with common carrier barge and barge-rail routes would handle traffic moving coastwise, import and export, through Gulf coast ports.

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